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Port Almanac—June 26.

Sun Rises	4.44 A M
Sun Sets	7.20 P M
Day's Length	14 h 36 m
High Water at Southport	4 50 P M
High Water at Wilmington	6.30 P M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., June 26.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 75°; 8 p. m., 84°; maximum, 90°; minimum, 72°; mean, 81°.

Rainfall for the day, .04; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 3.45.

Weather conditions for twelve hours ended at 8 p. m. June 25, furnished by the Weather Bureau office:

Owing to the maintenance of storm areas over the northeast sections and high area over the central gulf, the warm wave continues with undiminished energy over the South, the Ohio and Tennessee valleys and Middle States, being broken at only a few points where local thunder storms are reported. Rain falling at Key West, Charlotte and Corpus Christi, the Charlotte storm being accompanied by high wind and a decided fall in temperature.

Conditions indicate continued fair warm weather, interrupted by an occasional local thunder storm during the afternoon or night hours over this locality.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Local rains or thunder storms occurred generally over all districts of the cotton belt. Generally fair warm weather prevailed. It was cooler over the northern portion yesterday morning.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., June 24.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 2.4 feet.

OUTLINES.

Gold shipments by steamer from New York to-day will amount to $3,300,000. —— The Senate completed the wool, silk and tobacco schedules of the Tariff bill; the duty on wrapper and leaf tobacco was slightly advanced. —— Cornell won the University boat race; Yale second, Harvard third. —— Dun reports continued improvement in business and steadily brightening prospects for crops. —— Danville instructed its seventeen delegates to the Virginia State Democratic Convention to vote for Tyler for Governor. —— Clarence Sell was killed by lightning in Richmond county, Va., Thursday night. —— Prof. Chas. Copeland Wight died suddenly of heart disease at his home in Baltimore. —— Serious trouble is reported at Key West, Fla.; negroes surrounded the jail, where a negro man charged with rape is confined, and fired upon white citizens; one of the latter was killed and another wounded; the local authorities were unable to cope with the mob, and the Governor of Florida wired the President asking that United States troops at Key West render assistance to the State authorities. —— Evidence for the defence in the trial of officials of the Tobacco Trust was taken yesterday. —— A Russian iron clad, one of the best vessels of the Imperial navy, was wrecked and sunk in a storm; crew saved. —— Wm. Hoey, the actor, is insane; it is feared he will not recover. —— Senator Hanna says the statement is not authoritative that President McKinley is considering a plan for purchasing the freedom of Cuba. —— The crew and Cubans arrested on the steamer Dauntless at Key West were discharged by the U. S. Commissioner after examination. —— The great jubilee naval review takes place to-day at Portsmouth, Eng. —— The advance of the Anglo-Egyptian expedition into the Soudan will begin in August, with Berber as the objective point. —— There is great rejoicing in Ithaca, N. Y., at the victory of the Cornell crew over Yale and Harvard. New York markets: Money on call was easy at 1@1¼ per cent., last loan at 1, closing offered at 1@1¼ per cent.; cotton steady—middling 7¾c; flour steady; wheat—spot firm; No. 1 Northern New York 77⅝c afloat; corn—spot quiet; No. 2 29¼c at elevator and 30¼c afloat; rosin steady—strained common to good $1.72½@1.75; spirits turpentine steady at 27@27½c.

One of the questions in Georgia now is where Tom Watson was "at" when that Pop convention was held. He didn't pop up at all.

One of the curiosities in the town of Salem, in this State, is a white sparrow. But it has as few redeeming qualities as the others.

The lightning speeder in the yacht line is the Ellide, which on the Hudson river the other day made a mile in one minute and thirty-five seconds.

A farmer in Illinois was recently killed by lightning. He had $25,000 in his pockets. No farmer with $25,000 in his pockets should be caught out in a thunder storm.

A meteorite passed over Kansas a few nights ago and dropped a "spark" on Wichita. The "spark" weighed thirteen and a half pounds, and looked like a piece of granite sprinkled with iron.

The people of India as a rule are not much afraid of the hereafter, which may be somewhat accounted for by the statement that last week the thermometer there registered 126 degrees in the shade.

There are signs of progress in Russia. A mob lynched a murderer a few days ago. But they didn't go about it in the scientific way and hang or shoot him, but unartistically beat him to death with clubs and stones.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Attention is called to the following REDUCED RATES of Subscription to THE MORNING STAR:

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Among the places visited by some of the South American delegates to the Trade Congress was Lynn, Mass. They made some exclamations in South American talk, which the Lynn fellows didn't understand, when a pair of shoes was turned out complete in 14 minutes and 5 seconds. Now they will probably think they ought to buy shoes at about 15 cents a pair.

Some people think John L. Sullivan is doing a foolish thing in hunting up a fight with Fitzsimmons. Not at all. John has nothing to lose if he gets knocked out, and if by accident he should get a swipe in under Bob's short rib and knock him out he would be right in it as the boss plugger.

There must be some terrific lightning up about Morganton. The *Herald* mentions the death of a mule, four miles from that town, from a stroke of lightning. It wouldn't be safe for some Republican editors we know to take a tilt with that kind of lightning.

Li Hung Chang is thoughtful enough to see that the empress does not run short on pin money. He presented her recently with 800,000 taels, about $150,000. And then he sat down and studied up a plan to squeeze about twice that much out of somebody else.

In China when an official defaults they go for all his relatives and confiscate enough of their property to make the defalcation good, and then they abbreviate the defaulter by cutting off the head that did the mischief. The offence is never repeated after that.

A contemporary remarking on the Queen's jubilee, says that it shows that "the English people are a rather patriotic people and are satisfied with their monarch." They are so well satisfied with her probably because she has been so little of a monarch.

The report of the chief engineer of the water works of the city of Brooklyn, N. Y., shows that the city uses less water *per capita* than any other city in the country. It takes some people a long time to learn to appreciate the value of water.

The Governor of Indiana has called for a meeting of citizens to care for the neglected grave of Abraham Lincoln's mother. Her grandson, who attends to the law business of some gas companies in Chicago, will probably be too busy to attend.

Greece has been so badly demoralized by the racket with Turkey, that it isn't safe for one to travel in the mountain regions now on account of the brigands, soldiers who have taken to the woods and take everything that falls in their way.

Somebody has been having a soft snap on the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company. It has been systematically robbed by padded pay rolls. In one division alone forgeries have been discovered amounting to $80,000.

The Greater New York contains 360 square miles, but not a tenth so many square politicians.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SEACOAST ROAD—Schedule.
VIRGINIA Military Institute.
STR. WILMINGTON—Schedule.

Killed by Lightning.

Rebecca Williams, a colored girl sixteen years of age, living on the farm of Mr. W. H. King, near Scott's Hill, was struck by lightning and killed during the thunder storm of Thursday evening. She was standing in the door of her father's house when the bolt struck her. Three of her brothers and sisters were stunned, but not seriously injured. The body of the girl was severely blistered.

Charlotte People at the Seashore.

Quite a number of Charlotte people came down yesterday and hastened to Ocean View to breathe the salt air from the airy rooms and verandas of the Seashore Hotel. Among them were Postmaster T. M. Robertson and family, Mr. T. B. Gautier and family, Mr. J. T. Jeffreys, Mrs. A. B Springs, and Mr. E. M. Andrews and party. There are others who will arrive to-day.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— Find weekly statement of cotton and naval stores in the commercial columns of the STAR this morning.

— Southern potatoes (new) are quoted in New York at $2.25 to $3.75 per barrel; tomatoes, per carrier, $1.00 to $1.75; cabbage, $1.00 to $1.12½ per crate or barrel.

— The receipts of cotton heer yesterday were 25 bales, against none on the corresponding day last year. The market closed steady at 7 15-16c. against 7¼c in 1896.

— At Grace Methodist E. church to-morrow, Rev. J. A. Baldwin will preach at the 11 o'clock morning service and the son of the pastor, Rev. R. H. Willis, at the 8.15 night service.

— The storm Thursday evening last was violent through a wide section of the State. Reports from La Grange say that it was especially severe there, and at other points along the A. & N. C. R. R.

— Two hundred and thirty-six thousand one hundred and fifty-four bales of cotton have been received at this port during the cotton season to date; receipts for the same time last season, 166,404 bales.

— A small fire in a house on Fourth street, near Brunswick, called the Fire Department out yesterday afternoon about 1.50 o'clock, in response to an alarm from box 16, Fourth and Brunswick streets.

— Dr. K. J. Powers, of Pender, sends a cotton bloom which, though not the earliest, is certainly the handsomest we have received. He has seventy acres in cotton which, as well as all other crops in his section, are very promising.

— Calculate the value of the strawberry industry to the section of country where it flourishes from the statement made by a wholesale grocer yesterday, that his sales in the strawberry section during the last season averaged 25 per cent. more than they did after the season's close.

— It was reported last night that Mr. Hiram Moore, who carries on a produce commission business on Market street, between Second and Third, while walking one of the trestles between Wrightsville and Ocean View beach, was knocked off into the sound, and his left arm broken above the elbow and his head gashed.

— Cadet appointments to the United States Military Academy, at West Point, have been made as follows: Edmund Thomas, Littleton, North Carolina; Oscar F. Cooper, Clinton, N. C., with Edwin O. Cole, Carthage, N. C., as alternate; William H. Cowles, Wilkesboro, N. C, with M. N. Falls, Morganton, N. C., as alternate.

— It is a real comfort, when the thermometer is in the nineties, to note the fact that the people of Kansas have abandoned the old and threadbare style of comparing hailstones to "hen eggs" in the matter of size. The dispatches from Topeka describing the storm there recently all mentioned the fact that the hailstones were "as big as ostrich eggs." Thanks!

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—4 casks spirits turpentine, 2 bbls tar, 3 bbls crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—39 casks spirits turpentine, 22 bbls rosin, 33 bbls tar, 2 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—34 casks spirits turpentine, 68 bbls rosin, 10 bbls tar, 18 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—87 casks spirits turpentine, 81 bbls rosin, 4 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Newbern & Norfolk R. R.—25 bales cotton, 49 casks spirits turpentine, 80 bbls rosin, 27 bbls crude turpentine.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—39 casks spirits turpentine, 112 bbls rosin, 27 bbls tar, 12 bbls crude turpentine.

Total receipts—Cotton, 25 bales; spirits turpentine, 202 casks; rosin, 388 bbls; tar 75 bbls; crude turpentine, 62 bbls.

Temperature Rules High.

Try as one may, it is impossible to refrain from remarking on the weather when it presses on one's feeling so forcibly as it has been doing lately. Day before yesterday the mercury crawled up to 94, but the air was cooled off by the electrical storm in the afternoon, making the night bearable. Yesterday the thermometer did not show quite so high a temperature, but it was more nearly uniform, and at figures that were high enough for all purposes.

Cherokee Tribe.

At the regular meeting of Cherokee Tribe No. 9, Improved Order of Red Men, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

Sachem—T. J. Gore.
Prophet—Alex. Boswell.
Senior Sagamore—Chas. Oller.
Junior Sagamore—G. T. King.

The above officers will be installed next Thursday night by Deputy Great Incohonee, J. J. Hopkins.

Assault With a Deadly Weapon.

Deputy Sheriff Flynn yesterday went to Ocean View and arrested Richard Davis, colored, on a warrant charging assault with a deadly weapon (a pistol) upon Ida May Sessions, colored. The accused was brought to the city and placed under $50 bond for his appearance for trial before Justice Bunting today. The required bond was given and the prisoner released from custody.

— Mr. Murray Forbes, Travelling Passenger Agent of the Seaboard Air Line, arrived in the city last evening.

CAROLINA CYCLE CLUB.

The Races and the Winners of Prizes at the Ocean View Meet Yesterday.

A large crowd of sports gathered on Ocean View Beach yesterday afternoon to witness the bicycle meet, under the auspices of the Carolina Yacht Club, and found plenty of excitement.

The first race was a fourth of a mile run, with the following entries: R. G. Rankin, Jr., M. P. Taylor, Jr., Ed. Heinsberger, Geo. Phillips, Oscar Morris and Bob Sellers. Rankin won in twenty-three and one-fifth seconds; Heinsberber second, and Sellers third. In this race Morris was thrown from his wheel.

Second race, one-half mile; entries same as first race. Won by Taylor in one minute and six seconds; Rankin second and Heinsberger third.

Third race, one-half mile tandem exhibition race, against time, F. P. Turrentine and R. G. Rankin, Jr. Time, one minute, two and four-fifth seconds.

Fourth race, one half-mile; entries same as first race, except Ed. Heinsberger, but with the addition of F. P. Turrentine. Won by Turrentine in one minute, two and two-fifth seconds; Rankin second, and Taylor third.

The prizes awarded were as follows:

First race—Rankin, Ocean View championship medal; Heinsberger, a technometer; Sellers, a cut-glass celery holder.

Second race—Taylor, Seacoast railroad championship medal; Rankin, bicycle lamp; Heinsberger, silver pin tray.

Fourth race—Turrentine, pair bicycle shoes; Rankin, cylinder seat post; Taylor, steel razor.

The first two races were paced by "scorcher" Turrentine.

DEATH OF MR. W. S. DOSHER.

After a Long Illness He Passed Away Yesterday Morning at 9.30 O'Clock.

After a lingering illness of over twelve months, Mr. W. S. Dosher entered into rest yesterday at 9.30 o'clock, at the family residence, 412 Walnut street. He had been a constant sufferer from consumption, but the end was remarkably free from pain.

Mr. Dosher was 44 years of age, and spent the greater part of his life in Southport, where he was for some time the senior member of the firm of Dosher, St. George & Co. Several years ago he went to Mt. Airy to live, but soon after came back to this section of the State, settling at Wilmington. Immediately previous to his confinement by sickness he was engaged as salesman in the establishment of Mr. S. H. Fishblate.

He is survived by his wife, two sons—Albert and Wilber—and two daughters—Miss Linda Dosher and Mrs. R. S. Newton, the latter residing at Southport. The deceased was a member of Grace M. E. Church, and his many estimable qualities won for him a wide circle of friends, who, with his family, will sadly miss him.

The funeral takes place this morning at 8.30 from Grace Church, after which the remains will be taken on the steamer *Wilmington* to Southport, where the interment will be made with Masonic honors, the deceased being a member of the Masonic lodge in that town.

EXCURSIONS.

One Arrived Over the Wilmington & Weldon and Another Over the C. F. & Y. V. Railroad.

There were five or six hundred people on the excursion from Elm City and Rocky Mount yesterday. The train bearing them arrived at 10.30 o'clock and stopping long enough for some of the passengers to get off and spend the day in the city, went direct to Ocean View, returning last evening at 3.15 o'clock. The excursion was given by the Elm City Methodist Sunday school, of which Mr. W. H. Pridgen is the efficient and popular superintendent.

The excursion over the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley railroad arrived at 3 o'clock yesterday. It was run from Ramseur, under the management of Mr. Dennis Lane of that town. There were about 300 excursionists, coming from Greensboro, Liberty, Ramseur and other towns in that section. About seventy-five of the party went down to Carolina Beach in the afternoon. To-morrow a good many will go to Ocean View, and the train will leave the city on return this evening at 6 o'clock.

Gay Time at the Carolina Yacht Club.

It was the married members of the Carolina Yacht Club who did the agreeable last night at the entertainment. Previously its unmarried members have been the prime movers on occasions of like nature, but this time the tables were turned and the young folks were the guests, though they had to be accompanied by ladies.

It was a very delightful affair. There was old fashioned square dancing to music by the Wilmington String Band. Delicious refreshments were served and every endeavor used to make the evening a pleasant one.

Officers Elected.

Hanover Lodge 145, I. O. O. F., elected officers last night for the ensuing term as follows:

S. P. G.—N. M. Hunt.
N. G.—H. E. Bonitz.
V. G.—J. O. Wiggs.
R. G.—S. G. Hall.
F. S.—C. B. Allen.
Treasurer—W. H. Howell.

Past Grand J. T. King, District Deputy Grand Master, will install the above newly elected officers at the next meeting night, Friday.

Weather in July.

The Weather Bureau records at Wilmington, covering a period of 26 years, show the mean or normal temperature of July, 80 degrees; the highest temperature was 103° on the 19th, 1879; lowest, 58° on the 11th, 1890. The average rainfall for the month is 7.18 inches. The greatest monthly precipitation was 21.12 inches, in 1886; the least, 1.95 inches in 1875.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. W. S. Boney, of Wallace, was registered here yesterday.

— The Misses Potter are at Ocean View, stopping at the Seashore Hotel.

— Mr. F. P. Sidbury, of Ashton, was observed on our streets yesterday.

— Mr. C. N. Nurney, of Wilson, was among the visitors in the city yesterday.

— Mr. R. E. Batts, of Sloop Point, was here yesterday making business calls.

— Miss Grace Smallbones has gone to Chapel Hill to attend the Summer school.

— Mr. W. D. Howard, of Topsail Sound, was among the visitors in the city yesterday.

— Col. S. B. Taylor, of Catherine Lake, is here visiting his son-in-law, Mr. R. S. Collins.

— Capt. V. V. Richardson of Whiteville, was among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

— Mrs. J. F. Wilder, of St. Stephen's S. C., is here on a visit to her son, Mr. Herbert F. Wilder.

— Mrs. Joseph E. Bunting returned yesterday from a trip to the Nashville Centennial.

— Mr. W. H. Wigtow, of the Cumnock Coal Mining Company, was among yesterday's hotel registrations.

— Miss Hattie Hightower, of Goldsboro, who has been visiting the family of Mr. W. McEvans, returned home last evening.

— Mr. Alfred H. Yopp, who has been attending the Boston Conservatory of Music, and making a very fine record there, the STAR is informed, will return this afternoon for the vacation.

— Rev. W. B. Oliver returned yesterday via the W., C. & A. railroad from Darlington, S. C., where he has been assisting the pastor, Rev. R. W. Lide, in a series of meetings.

— So distinguished a person as Hon. Spencer Blackburn, of Jefferson, N. C., was registered here yesterday. It being an off year on politics, his visit probably has no political significance. Mr. C. F. Dawes, also registering from Jefferson, was here yesterday.

BASE BALL.

The National League—Result of Yesterday's Games and Other Interesting Features.

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

Boston, 10; Baltimore, 9.
Pittsburg, 6; St. Louis, 4.
Philadelphia, 15; Brooklyn, 11.
New York, 11; Washington, 6.
Washington, 6; New York, 4.

WHERE THEY PLAY TO DAY.

Baltimore at Boston.
New York at Washington.
Cleveland at Chicago.
Louisville at Cincinnati.
St. Louis at Pittsburg.
Philadelphia at Brooklyn.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost	Per Cent.
Boston	37	13	.740
Baltimore	34	15	.693
Cincinnati	30	17	.638
New York	29	19	.604
Brooklyn	25	25	.500
Pittsburg	24	25	.489
Cleveland	24	26	.480
Philadelphia	25	28	.471
Washington	21	27	.437
Louisville	19	29	.395
Chicago	18	33	.369
St. Louis	11	46	.193

Up to the ninth inning yesterday Baltimore had Boston conquered, but Hoffer, who up to that time had been invincible, went to pieces, and the Beaneaters tallied three runs and the game.

The Giants put their two best pitchers forward yesterday. Invincible Rusie participated in New York's winning game, but the Senators vented their spite out on Meekin later in the day.

The Bridegrooms and the Phillies felt good yesterday. After the third inning singles, doubles, triples and lone runs were common.

Pittsburg pushed ahead of Cleveland yesterday.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

A Drunken Negro Seriously Injured By a Companion.

Last night about 10 o'clock, near the corner of Seventh and Dawson streets Chas. Fisher, colored, accidentally shot Ingram Howe, colored, inflicting a severe, but not dangerous wound. It seems that Fisher and Howe, both slightly intoxicated, were walking along the street, when Fisher pulled a pistol and commenced firing "to have some fun," but as the pistol was fired the second time Howe staggered in front of the muzzle and received the bullet in his right side, just above the hip bone. Police Officers J. W. Smith and Joseph Sharp, colored, were standing at the corner of Fourth and Wooster streets when the shot of the pistol was heard. The policemen immediately hurried in the direction of the firing, and in Fisher's house, on Dawson street, between Fifth and Sixth, found Howe. Fisher was also in the house and explained to the officers how the shooting occurred, and that he had carried the injured man to his house. The police arrested Fisher and took him to the guard house and then went in quest of medical aid. Dr. W. D. McMillan went to the relief of the injured man, and after locating the bullet, sent him to the hospital. The bullet entered the right-side at the upper edge of the hip-bone, four inches from the back-bone and took a slanting course, about four inches deep, and lodged in the muscular tissue. Dr. T. R. Mask, colored, was also in attendance upon the wounded man. Howe stated to a STAR representative, who accompanied Dr. McMillan, that the shooting was purely accidental.

RALEIGH NEWS BUDGET.

THE STATE'S CONTRACT FOR THE PUBLIC PRINTING.

Col. Andrews Acting President of the Southern Railroad—High Temperature—Superintendent Smith of the Penitentiary.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., June 25.

The State's contract with Mr. Guy V. Barnes, to whom the contract was let for nearly all the public printing, will likely be signed to day. The State will not pay for composition by the thousand as in the past, but by time. This makes the job a very "soft snap."

Governor Russell was the only member of the council friendly to the Stewarts of Winston. Indeed, the Governor was very anxious to give the contract to the Stewarts, but the other members of the council happened to be Populists and extremely friendly to Barnes, who is also a Populist.

Col. A. B. Andrews will be acting president of the Southern Railway while President Spencer is in Europe. Col. Andrews will be detained in New York a good portion of his time.

Yesterday was the warmest day in the year. The thermometer went up to 95 degrees.

A Republican in this city states that Superintendent Smith of the Penitentiary has discharged a number of Populists and Republicans who had positions as overseers and guards, and that he has retained Democrats in their places. This Republican is hot.

David Castello Loughlin, the circus performer and acrobat, whose home is at Henderson, N. C., is one of the passengers aboard the Columbia steamer *Finance*, which recently arrived from Colon, with yellow fever aboard. Mr. Loughlin is one of the sick passengers also. He is just returning from South America, where he has been filling an engagement with a circus.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Wilmington postoffice June 25, 1897:

LADIES' LIST.

Mrs Sarah E Brown, Amanda Cowan, Mrs Neely Casteen, Mrs M Cooper, Miss Edith Fulford, Miss Marrinda Griffin, Miss Charlotte Handin, Mrs Mary Hall, Mrs Mary Higgins, Mrs Mary Howard, Mrs Rebecca Huggins, Mary Jenkins, Violet Jourdan, Miss Blanch King, Miss Annie McLin, Miss J B McNeill, Miss Moisey Newkirk, Mrs Teyner Marimon, Mrs Winnie Mennis, Mrs Mandy Nixon, Lydie Palden, Miss Marie Richardson, Miss Hannah Smith, Julia A Slater Mrs Lucy Smith, Mrs Francinnia White, Mrs Cary Waters, Flora J Williams, Hellen J Wright, Hettie Watkins, Miss Louisa Walker.

MEN'S LIST.

Walter Buckner, Bass & Co., Amos Cuffa, Conte Signo, Dr Cutlar, D R Davis, Josef Fresesak, Willis Elers, L J Forbs, James Foulkner, James For, Jno T Gerald, Rev Chas F Henrick, J A Hunt, Joseph Hanes, W S Herring, Alfred Johanssin, W J Johnson, W J Jones, R P Lee 3, Gramma Monsergim, A J Murphey, C A Moody, D Marlie, W P Murphy, Geo Patisio, Tim Powers, Jim Roach, Nicola Romamei, M Querr, Robey Richardson, A M Slake, Jasper Slater, Johnny Wick, R C Wight.

RETURNED FROM DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

Mrs Mary Colks, Sarah J Eaas, Elizabeth Freeman, Alonzo Howard, Mrs Sallie Hawkins, Bessie Melvin, Winnie Merrett, Geo M Pusley, Benj Rooks, C C Williams.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in fifteen days, they will be sent to the dead letter office.

GEO. L. MORTON, Postmaster.

GEORGIA TRUCK AND MELONS.

Shipments of Vegetables Confined to Tomatoes—The Melon Crop Short and Late.

The Savannah *Morning News* says:

Shipments of vegetables from Savannah by the truckers of this neighborhood have fallen off greatly within the last fortnight, and are now restricted mostly to tomatoes. Nearly every other vegetable has had its run, and its season is over; but tomatoes, large, red and juicy, are beginning to make their appearance in quantities and by the end of next week the season will be at its hight.

Very good prices are being obtained for tomatoes in the North and East, and the truckers say that such, on the whole, has been the case with all their products.

Potatoes are about played out, only small and steadily decreasing shipments now being made.

The Plant system up to June 23 has handled this season a total of 363 car loads of watermelons. Of this number 206 have been shipped from South Georgia points and 156 loads have come from Florida.

The crop is far behind that of last year, when the receipts began coming in from a week to ten days earlier. The acreage has also been reduced, as last year the industry did not prove altogether profitable to the farmers. Last year up to June 23d, 738 car loads of melons had been moved by the Plant system. In 1895 the number was 580, and in 1894 691 car loads.

SCORCHING TEMPERATURE.

More Than 100 Degrees in Kansas and Arkansas.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., June 24.—The average maximum temperature in Arkansas yesterday as shown by Government thermometers was 100°. The highest point reached was at Warren, where the thermometer registered 109°. At noon the thermometer in the United States weather bureau at Little Rock registered 100°.

KANSAS CITY, June 24.—The most intense heat that has prevailed in Central Kansas for several years has been felt the last four days, the maximum temperature averaging 100° and finally reaching 104°. Many prostrations are reported and at some places farmers have been compelled to abandon their harvest work. In the vicinity of Larned it was hot enough to curl the leaves of vegetation.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents.

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

— Mr. John W. Cook, of Laurinburg, was here yesterday.

The Churches.

Grace Methodist E. Church, South, northeast corner of Grace and Fourth streets, Rev. R. A. Willis, Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 a. m. and 8.15 p. m. Sunday school at 4.30 p. m. Experience meeting at 10 a. m. in the lecture room. Weekly Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday evening at 8.15 o'clock. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to attend these services.

Fifth Street M. E. Church South, situated on Fifth street, between Nun and Church, Rev. W. L. Cunninggim, Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 a. m and 8.15 p. m. by the pastor. Sunday School at 3.30 p. m. Class meeting from 7.00 to 7.15 p. m. The public cordially invited to all services.

First Presbyterian Church, Rev. P. H. Hoge, pastor. Divine service at 11 a. m. and 8.00 p. m. Sunday School at 4.30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday at 8.15 p. m. Seats free.

Market Street M. E. Church, next to corner Ninth and Market streets, Rev. T. H. Sutton, pastor. Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Class meeting at 9.30 a. m. Sunday School at 3 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday night at 7.30 p. m.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, pastor. Sabbath services at 11 a. m. and 8.15 p. m. Junior Y. P. S. C. E. 10.15 a. m. Senior Y. P. S. C. E. 7.30 p. m. Sabbath School at 4.00 p. m. The public cordially invited.

South Side Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets; Rev. J. B. Harrell, Pastor. Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 3.30 p. m. Weekly Prayer Meeting Wednesday night at 7.30.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a m and 8 p. m.

The regular service of the Seamen's Bethel will be conducted to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, by Rev. A. D. McClure. Seamen and rivermen specially invited. All welcome.

DIED.

DOSHER—In this city yesterday morning at 9.30 a. m., W. S. DOSHER, at his late residence 412 Walnut street, aged 44 years.

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CIRCUIT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES, EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The State Trust Company of New York
against
Wilmington, Newbern and Norfolk Railway Company.

WHEREAS, On the 28th day of May, 1897, in the Circuit Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina, a decree was made in the above entitled suit by the Honorable Charles H. Simonton, Circuit Judge, foreclosing the mortgages of the Wilmington, Onslow and East Carolina Railroad Company and the East Carolina Land and Railway Company, now consolidated into the Wilmington, Newbern and Norfolk Railway Company, the defendant therein, said mortgages being mentioned and described in said complainants' bill of complaint; and

WHEREAS, It is therein ordered, adjudged and decreed that all the corporate property now owned or hereafter to be acquired by the said Wilmington, Newbern and Norfolk Railway Company in the State of North Carolina, now operated as one continuous line from the city of Wilmington to Newbern, in said State, and all its estates, right, title, interest and equity of redemption therein; that is to say, all of its railroads now constructed and in operation extending from Wilmington to Newbern in the said State of North Carolina, and yet to be constructed, including extensions, branches, curves and side tracks, and including rights of way, road bed, superstructures, iron, steel, rails, ties, splices, chains, bolts, nuts, spikes, all land and depot grounds, station houses and depots, viaducts, water-tanks, bridges, timber, material and property purchased or to be purchased or owned by it, for the construction, equipment or operation of said road, all machine shops, tools, implements and personal property used therein or upon or along said railroad or at its stations; all engines, tenders, machinery and all kinds of rolling stock, whether now owned or hereafter purchased by said railroad company, and all other property of the said company now owned or hereafter to be acquired, and all its rights or privileges therein or appertaining thereto, and all revenues, tolls and incomes of said railroad and property, and all franchises and rights of said railroad company, and all property and rights acquired or hereafter to be acquired by virtue and under authority thereof, be sold under the direction of Alfred M. Waddell, the undersigned Master Commissioner, and the proceeds of said sale applied to the satisfaction of said judgment, interest and costs, except such as is otherwise provided for in said decree; and

WHEREAS, It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that said Master Commissioner shall sell said property for cash, or for cash and bonds, as an entirety; and

WHEREAS, It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that notice of the time, place and terms of said sale be given by said Master Commissioner by advertising the same at least five times a week for four consecutive weeks preceding the day of sale, in one or more newspapers published in the cities of Wilmington and Newbern, in the State of North Carolina, and also in the "Manufacturers' Record," of Baltimore, Maryland, and that the said sale shall be at public auction in the city of Wilmington, North Carolina, in front of the County Court House of New Hanover county at the time and place as said Master Commissioner shall in said notices of said sale appoint; and

WHEREAS, It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that said Master Commissioner shall receive no bid at said sale for a less sum than two hundred and fifty thousand dollars and no bid from any person who shall not first deposit with him as a pledge five per cent. of the amount of such bid in cash, or twenty-five thousand dollars in the bonds secured by either of the mortgages described in said complainants' bill of complaint, and in case the said property and premises are sold, the purchaser thereof shall forthwith deposit with said Master Commissioner the sum of five thousand dollars to be deposited in the Registry of this Court subject to the order of this Court in this cause and the deposit so received from the said bidder to be applied on the purchase price; the balance of the purchase price may be either paid in cash or the purchaser may satisfy the same in whole or in part by paying over and surrendering bonds secured by the said mortgages of January 12th, 1891, made by the said Wilmington, Onslow and East Carolina Railroad Company and the East Carolina Land and Railway Company, and over-due coupons belonging thereto, at such price or value as would be equivalent to the distributive amount that the holders of said bonds would be entitled to receive in case the entire amount was paid in cash. For more particularity both as to the property to be sold and the terms of the sale, reference is made to the decree of foreclosure entered in the above suit.

NOW THEREFORE, Public notice is hereby given that I, Alfred M. Waddell, Master Commissioner, in pursuance of the provisions of said decree, will, on Thursday, the 15th day of July, 1897, at 12 o'clock m., of that day, in the city of Wilmington, in the State of North Carolina, in front of the County Court House of New Hanover county, in said city, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in accordance with the terms and conditions of said decree, the above described railroad of the Wilmington, Newbern and Norfolk Railway Company, and all the property, lands and premises appertaining thereto, the proceeds to be applied as is by said decree provided and directed.

ALFRED M. WADDELL,
Master Commissioner, United States Circuit Court Eastern District of North Carolina.

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	RATE.	SCHEDULE.
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Hamlet, "	18.10	11:28 P. M.
Lincolnton, "	20.25	7:10 P. M.
Maxton, "	18.55	6:13 P. M.
Monroe, "	19.15	9:40 P. M.
Raleigh, "	17.50	2:13 A. M.
Rutherfordton, "	21.25	4:35 P. M.
Sanford, "	17.50	1.03 A. M.
Shelby, "	[illegible]	6:03 P. M.
Wadesboro, "	18.60	10:31 P. M.
Wilmington, "	20.30	3.20 P. M.

The steamship "Chatham" will be placed in service on this occasion and the service will be first-class in every respect. Meals and stateroom berth on steamer, going and return, will be furnished holders of these special excursion tickets without extra charge. The capacity of the steamer is of course limited, and application for reservation should be made as early as possible in order to secure the best accommodation. S. A. L. Ticket Agent at Atlanta, Ga., will make reservations and furnish number of rooms occupied. The Passenger Department of the Seaboard Air Line at Portsmouth, Va., has issued an attractive Itinerary of this trip, copies of which will be furnished upon application to any S. A. L. Agent. je 24 tf

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The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, JUNE 26, 1897

A TARIFF COMMISSION.

A Tariff Commission has been talked about more or less for several years, not a temporary, but a permanent commission, whose business it will be to make a thorough study of the tariff question. A bill for such a commission to be appointed by the President with the consent of the Senate, has been introduced by Representative Fowler, of New Jersey, the substance of which is thus reported by the New York *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin*:

"The bill seeks to establish a 'tariff commission for the purpose of investigating Federal taxation, recommending changes therein and adjusting any inequalities in existing law.' It provides that the commission shall consist of seven members, to be appointed by the President with the consent of the Senate; the term of office shall be for twenty-one years, at an annual salary of $7,500, except the Chief Commissioner, who shall receive $8 000 per annum. It is proposed that the commission shall be permanent, the first appointments being for twenty-one, eighteen, fifteen, twelve, nine, six and three years, respectively. The commissioner appointed for twenty-one years and his successors shall be known as Chief Commissioners and shall preside at all meetings of the commission. The commissioners shall visit the different sections of the country with a view of studying local conditions and shall have power to send a committee of their number to any foreign country or countries for the purpose of collecting information that will better enable them to perform their duties. It is proposed that the 'commission shall have power, by and with the written approval of the President of the United States, to suspend any part or the whole of any tax upon imports or of any internal tax which may have been imposed by the Congress of the United States: Provided, however, That such suspension shall take effect only upon the following conditions:

"'1. It may take effect immediately if the recommendation has the unanimous support of said commission and receives the written approval of the President of the United States.

"'2 It may take effect in one year after the date of recommendation if recommended by at least five of the said commissioners and receives the written approval of the President of the United States.

"'3. It may take effect in two years after the date of recommendation if it has received at the end of each year the recommendation of at least four of the said commissioners and the written approval of the President of the United States.'"

There is not much to this for it simply contemplates a commission composed of presumably competent persons whose duty it shall be to thoroughly and honestly investigate the tariff question, to familiarize themselves with its bearings on the respective sections of the country and recommend such changes as may remove inequalities and make it work as equably as possible. In this respect the idea is a good one, but we do not think it goes far enough. It is a well known fact that two-thirds of the tariff legislation we have these days is at the request of persons who desire protection, and every committee of Congress which has anything to do with the framing of tariffs gives these persons "hearings" and decides upon those hearings as to the amount of protection they shall be given. Of course there is only one side heard and that side always has its agents to bring pressure to bear on the committee to get what they ask for.

There will always be some people who will want more tariff tax, and people who want less tax; the people who want more tax do not care a continental about the people who want less tax and the people who want less tax reciprocate. That's what has given most trouble with the tariff question all along, each interest is looking out for itself, each brings pressure to bear on Congress, each has its political influence which Congressmen desire to conciliate, and hence they advocate or oppose not because they are right in the advocacy or opposition but because they are anxious to respond to the demands of those whose votes are necessary to a seat in Congress. They don't, as a rule, discuss such questions on their merits at all but simply with a view to the effect on the ballot boxes of their respective districts. That's what makes the tariff question a political question.

Instead of tariff propositions originating in Congress, this commission should be vested with authority to hear any one who wanted a higher tariff on anything or a lower tariff, and after it had decided let it make such recommendation as it saw fit for the consideration of Congress, which would thus deal only with certain specified articles, and have some valuable information as an aid to action. This would go far towards taking the tariff out of politics, for the commission would be presumably a non-partisan body, not influenced by partisan considerations in the consideration they gave to any proposition or in any recommendation they might make.

In speaking of his bill Mr. Fowler gives the following as some of the reasons in support of it:

"Every one now realizes, I think, that the American people of all sections, of all parties, of every calling, and of all classes, are tired and heartily sick of tariff tinkering and the consequent disturbance, if not actual destruction, of lines of business. What they need and most earnestly desire is an opportunity to engage in business with assurance that there will be no such radical changes as will destroy, or even cripple any department of trade or commerce.

"Any tariff measure that will produce sufficient revenue to suppor the Government under present conditions will, with the natural increase of population and the greater consumption incident to prosperity, bring us in few years a hundred millions more revenue than will be required to meet expenses. It should not be taken from the people. It would naturally lead to National extravagance.

"How, then, shall we adjust our revenues to our actual needs? Shall it be by overhauling the whole subject again—every schedule down to the very last item? Certainly business prudence would require that our taxes be lowered gradually and removed from such articles as an intelligent and skilled commission would recommend. The changes should be so made as to result in an evolution and not in a revolution.

"The taxes should be abated from year to year and taken from one schedule at a time. Hence, the President, who is responsible for the proper administration of the Government, with the recommendation of the tariff commission, ought to have the power to suspend any portion of the taxes and the country not be compelled to wait until the Executive, the House of Representatives and the Senate were in political conjunction, which might not happen for several years. They were not in conjunction from 1875 until 1889.

"That the President may suspend taxes if that power were given him by Congress was decided by the Supreme Court in Field versus Clark, Vol. 143, U S. Reports, page 649, when the constitutionality of the reciprocity clause of the Tariff Act of 1890 was challenged.

"The duty of the commission to investigate all Federal taxation and domestic and foreign conditions, and annually recommended changes calling for legislation, will make it a most valuable adjunct to a wise administration of our national affairs.

"Its establishment cannot do any harm; while it may prove the greatest possible blessing to the American people in securing stability to our varied business interests and continued and equal prosperity to all sections of our common country."

Mr. Fowler evidently doesn't believe that we should go on increasing taxes and taxing things to put money into the Treasury which is not needed, to make the people poorer so that the Treasury may be richer, and perhaps he believes that unnecessary taxation is unjust taxation, and therefore plundering, oppressive taxation, and thus believing would like to take the tariff question as much out of Congress as possible and at the same time out of politics. The idea is a good one whether the bill he proposes is the best that could be drafted or not.

There is one thing certain, the constant agitation of the tariff question is costing the country a great deal in the uncertainty it creates and the disturbance it causes in business, and we have it with every incoming Congress and with every change of administration. The Democrats came in four years ago and made their tariff, the Republicans are making their tariff now, and if the Democrats win in the next Presidential and Congressional elections they will tear up the Republican tariff and make another of their own. Thus it will go on indefinitely, for neither party will be satisfied with the work of the other, and therefore we can never look for anything like a permanent settlement of that question until we have some sort of a commission of competent men to deal with it and take it, as far as possible, out of Congress.

MINOR MENTION.

Senator Hale seems to be anxious to relieve the Senators from the presence and importunities of ex-Senators, who have gone out of the business of law making into the business of legislation steerers, otherwise known as lobbyists. As a matter of justice to other gentlemen who earn their living that way these ex Senators should not have the cinch on them by having the swing of the floor while they are corralled in the committee rooms, etc., where they must catch Senators on the fly or otherwise. In matters of this kind where a leading industry is involved, and one which, according to Senator Allen, has assumed stupendous proportions, equity demands that there should be no discrimination, and that the ordinary lobbyist should have as fair a show as ex-Senators, old stagers who learned the ropes when as Senators they were taking care of the enterprises they now as hired agents look after. But it seems to us that if the presence of these gentlemen were offensive to the dignity of the Senators they may got rid of it without the formality of an amendment to the rules. Some time ago ex-Senator Ingalls, of Kansas, appeared on the floor and we are told that he was "snubbed" by his former colleagues. He was not lobbying for anything and wasn't snubbed on that account but because he had reported a prize fight for a newspaper. Having been snubbed Mr. Ingalls made his visit brief and didn't call again. Suppose the Senators should try the snubbing process on the ex-Senatorial lobbyists, might not that work pretty well, for surely if the ex-Senatorial lobbyist couldn't get within earshot of the Senators and would be subjected to the freeze out he wouldn't find the floor a very inviting stamping ground, and would accordingly make himself scarce. As an easy way out of the difficulty we suggest the snub as an experiment.

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American interest in Cuba is not altogether a matter of sentiment. The war over there is costing us money, and a great deal of it, in our crippled trade which has been almost wiped out since the trouble began on the island. The following official figures show how our trade has fallen off within the past three years as compared with the trade in 1894:

Yrs.end'd June 30	Imp'ts.	Exports.	Total Trade.
1894..	$75,678,261	$20,125,321	$95,806,582
1895..	52,871,239	12,807,661	65,678,990
1896..	40,017,730	7,530,880	47,548,610
1897, M'ch 31..	8,641,851	6,054,966	14,696,817

Here is a shrinkage of nearly $80,000,000 in the third year, or about $158,000,000 in the three years, and this does not include the losses to American planters and others doing business in Cuba, nor damage to property owned by Americans. Under these circumstances, leaving the matter of popular sentiment entirely out of the question, this Government certainly has good reason to complain at the prolongation of the war and to protest against it. England or any other Government that exercised due care over the interest of its people would have shown much less reluctance to interference than this Government has shown, and would have shown much less activity in helping the Spaniards to prolong the condition against which it complained. Mr. Cleveland said in one of his last messages that the time might come when this Government might find it necessary to intervene, and there is a very large proportion of the people of this country who believe that that time came some time ago.

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The iron and steel industries of this country are among those which, according to the high tariffites, must have protection from the "pauper labor" of Europe, while the exports of iron and steel from this country to Europe are steadily increasing. In the month of April, 1896, the exports of pig iron to Europe amounted to 2,685 tons. In the same month of this year they amounted to 31,788 tons. The following figures show the exports to Great Britain for the first four months of 1896 and 1897:

	1896.	1897.
January	429 tons.	9 022 tons
February	857 tons.	7 738 tons
March	805 tons.	3 701 tons
April	627 tons.	8,060 tons

But the exports of steel also increased rapidly. In the first four months of 1896 the exports to Great Britain amounted to 28 tons. In the first four months of this year they ran as follows: In January, 3,193 tons; February, 6,868 tons; March, 2,932 tons; April, 5,002, showing a total for these four months of 18,295 tons, against 28 for the corresponding months of last year. This increase of steel exports is more significant than the increase of pig iron, for the manufacture of steel requires skilled labor, the very thing which the protectionists say needs protection from the "pauper labor" of Europe, to which this steel is being shipped. If our manufacturers cannot compete with labor on the other side how can they afford to thus increase their exports of steel? Facts are stubborn things, and these are facts.

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CURRENT COMMENT.

—— All the recalcitrant sugar trust witnesses, save Chapman, have been acquitted, and this agent of the monopoly and shielder of delinquent senators is well provided for by those whom he has served so faithfully. Chapman is fortunate. The money power does not always care so well for its own.—*Louisville Dispatch, Dem.*

—— The goldbug papers every now and then bring out their field glasses and after a careful survey of the political situation head an article something like this: "The Passing of Bryan and the Silver Craze." But these papers are fooled by a mirage which rises before their vision in looking out over the desert for the prosperity they are expecting to approach. Bryan is "passing" as fast as the wheel of time can bear him from defeat to victory.—*Richmond State, Dem.*

—— The Ohio battle at the Republican State Convention has conclusively demonstrated that the Republican party of that State is now a Hanna-Foraker organization, and not a Foraker-Hanna party as it has been in the past. Hanna is squarely in the saddle, having not only carried unanimous instructions for his re election to the Senate, but defeated Foraker in the only square battle had between them for the chairmanship of the State committee, by a vote of 2 to 1.—*Philadelphia Times, Ind.*

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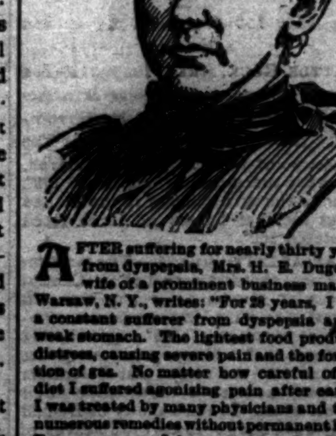

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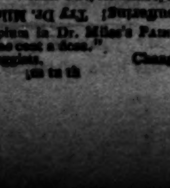

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Yesterday afternoon about 6.30, a negro boy named Doc. Patterson, 11 years old, was killed on the Bennettsville division of the C. F. & Y. V., by the down passenger train.

— Jonesboro *Progress*: On Monday evening at her home near Jonesboro, in her eighty fourth year, Mrs. Anne Catharine Bryan laid down the burden of earthly life and "fell on sleep."

— Concord *Standard*: An unknown negro was killed near the crossing on the Southern railroad at Charlotte Wednesday night. It is believed that the man had jumped from No. 35, Southbound passenger train, striking his head against the signal post, crushing his skull and killing him instantly.

— Pender *Star*: Mr. David Hale, an aged citizen of Rocky Point, died at his home a few days ago. He was a Confederate soldier, and located at Rocky Point at the close of the war. —— A burglar entered the house of Mr. John W. Batt, at Teacheys, last Saturday night and stole some wearing apparel, a watch, a few dollars and other things of small value.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: Mr. Jack Mooring, living in the Sauls X Roads section of this county, was bitten last week by a dog that was supposed to be mad. The dog bit also Mooring's wife and child, and to day all three of them left for New York to undergo the Pasteur treatment. Mr. Mooring is a man of very modest circumstances, and the neighborhood chipped in liberally to pay the expenses of himself, wife and child to New York.

— Monroe *Enquirer*: An enormous acreage has been sown in peas in Union county this year. The pea crop is the cheapest crop raised on the farm. —— In 1886, immediately after the great earthquake on the night of August 31st, Mr. A. T. Marsh's well, in Alexander county, went dry. The well had furnished an abundant supply of water before the earthquake, but the shock cut off the supply and made the flow of water very weak. The earthquake three or four weeks ago started the flow of water again and the well is again furnishing an abundant supply of water.

— Wadesboro *Messenger-Intelligencer*: Some time ago Mr. W. F. McIntyre, who lives in Gulledge township, noticed that his cow was falling very rapidly in her milk. She had been giving three gallons a day, but for some unaccountable reason dropped down to less than a gallon a day. Her teats also became very sore and Mr. McIntyre was totally at sea as to what was the matter with her, until he found a very large pilot snake that had made a nest in the cow's stall. He killed the snake and at once the cow got all right and has since remained so. The snake was not seen to suck the cow, but her failure in milk, and subsequent improvement after it was killed, is strong circumstantial evidence that it was the depredator.

— Dunn *Union*: We learn that Miss Peggy Williams, of Grove township, died at her home Wednesday morning. She was 76 years of age. —— A young man named Matthews living in Neill's Creek township has a novel way of catching hawks. He places a small steel trap on the end of a long pole which he sticks in the ground. The hawk alights on the trap and is caught. He has caught twenty-nine of the chicken-eaters this spring. —— Messrs. Jesse and Seth Starling are twins and live within a few hundred yards of each other near Starling's Bridge in Sampson county. They are good farmers and highly respected citizens of that community, they are 71 years of age and so much resemble each other that you have to know them very well to distinguish Jesse from Seth. They are brick masons and always worked together, doing this work, in fact it is said that they have never divided only on one thing—religion. One is a member of the Missionary Baptists and the other a member of the Primitive Baptists.

TWINKLINGS.

— Fishmonger (to thrifty housewife)—"Fish is dear, mum. Hit's a-gettin' werry scarce in consekence o' these 'ere aqueriums."—*Tit Bits.*

— Bad Case—"My wife cleans house eight times a year," said the applicant for divorce.

"Decree granted," said the Judge in a voice that quivered.—*Detroit Free Press.*

— Mrs. Mulcahy—"And so your cow is sick?"

Mrs. Burke—"She is, and it makes it hard for meself and the children. We have no milk at all. I have to sell it."—*Boston Transcript.*

— He is an awfully wise young man, to have seen no more than twenty-three summers."

"He may have seen but twenty-three summers, but the number of summer girls he has met runs up to the hundreds."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— Tourist (in Jersey, apprehensively)—How about the Jersey mosquitoes? Don't you find them pretty vicious creatures?

Jersey Native (indifferently)—Not at all. Not at all. Why, they'll eat right out of your hand—*Truth.*

— "She writes me from London that she is engaged to an English nobleman."

"Really? Why, I had no idea that she was particularly wealthy."—*New York Weekly.*

— Culprit—"I stole the wheel, yer honor; but I couldn't resist the temptation. I saw it was the same make that yer honor rides, and—"

Judge—"This poor fellow seems reasonably honest Let's give him another chance."—*Philadelphia North American.*

— Reticence Explained—"Miss Passeigh has had exceptional social advantages," said one young woman. "She has been presented to the Queen."

"It is strange that I never heard of it," replied the other.

"Oh she never mentions it. You see, it occurred so soon after her Majesty's coronation."—*Washington Star.*

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IT WAS A CLOSE CALL.

HOW A TELEGRAPHER WAS CURED OF SLEEPING ON DUTY.

Predicament of a Night Operator at a Lonely Station—An Evasion of the Rules That Gave the Boys a Chance to Sleep, but Which Came Near Causing Disaster.

"Station H, where I worked," he said, "is a night station on a single track railroad in New Hampshire. G, the nearest night telegraph station north of it, was eight miles away, and N, the nearest one south, was 12. My duty in summer was solely that of operator. In winter I also looked after the fires in the waiting rooms. After 9 o'clock all the trains that passed were freights, and there were half a dozen south bound and as many more north bound in the course of the night. It was part of my duty to note the time that each of the trains passed my station and report it at once to headquarters at A—the same rule applying to all the operators on the line. That was one of the customs which made it dangerous for an operator to fall asleep, if only for five minutes. Another thing that annoyed him and often made him swear was the roll call. This consisted in the train dispatcher at A office (50 miles south of H) calling each office on the line every half hour, beginning with the one nearest his own. The station that failed to answer a roll call had a black mark placed against it at A, with a record of the time when the call was given. At first the roll call made all the boys look sharp and toe the line. But they soon found a way to cheat it.

"Several of the 'owls' on the line arranged to take turns with each other in answering the roll. For example, the operator at G would answer my calls between the hours of 1 and 3, and I would attend to his from 3 to 5. What a cracking good way this was to baffle the train dispatcher, we thought, and the exchange of duty between us was kept up for a long time—in fact, almost too long so far as my own case was concerned. I refer to an incident that took place during the winter of 1885, which for a few hours nearly froze the marrow in my bones. It happened like this:

"Through freight No. 241, north bound, was due at my station at 1:35, and was scheduled to meet south bound freight No. 284 at P, 15 miles farther up the road. No. 241 was scarcely ever behind time, and the two trains usually met at P without requiring telegraphic orders. The night in question was very cold and stormy. Fully three feet of snow had fallen, and it was still coming down very fast, while a high wind was piling it in big drifts across the track. On a night like that the incessant humming of the wires outside the station is enough of itself to put a sentinel to sleep, and that, coupled with the hour, 1:15, and an office temperature of 80 degrees, was more than my weary frame could resist. I fell asleep, knowing, of course, that G would, according to our arrangement, look after my roll calls. After what seemed to me about like 20 minutes, but what was really more than two hours, I was awakened by the sharp clicking of the telegraph instrument near my head.

"'Qk 12' was being made with great rapidity, the call for my office preceding it. I knew it was the train dispatcher, the abbreviation meaning 'Quick! We want you to hold a train!'

"I answered the call, and the command came back quick and sharp:

"'Hold No. 241 for orders.'

"'O. K.,' said I, and immediately hung the proper signal, a red lantern, outside the door.

"Then I came to my senses and looked at my watch.

"Twenty-five minutes past 3! And I had heard no train in almost three hours. Had No. 241 got past, I wondered. I found that it had left N at 12:40, and the run from N to H usually took about 50 minutes. I knew the storm would probably delay the train somewhat. But two whole hours? It wasn't likely. Then I heard No. 284 reported from P, and knew she had received orders to meet No. 241 somewhere between P and H.

"What if No. 241 had got by me and was trying to reach P for the down freight! In that case the two trains were bound to crash together in the storm. There was no help for it. My excitement was increased by the repeated calls of the train dispatcher to ask if No. 241 was in sight.

"'Not yet,' I answered, trembling lest my hopes were in vain.

"Three thirty-five, and no train. I went out on the platform and listened. Not a sound could be heard above that of the wind, and an engine's headlight wouldn't have been visible ten rods away.

"I went back, 'grounded' one of the wires, so as to cut out A office, and called G, hoping to find whether No. 241 had reached there. No answer. Then I remembered that from 3 to 5 was G's time to 'bunk off,' and knew it was useless trying to get him.

"Ten minutes more and the freight had not arrived.

"'Sure it hasn't gone?' asked the train dispatcher excitedly, as though doubting me.

"'Sure,' said I.

"'For God's sake, don't let it get by you!' he urged.

"Well, 4 o'clock came, and my courage was giving way. I could see how two hours or so might be needed for a freight to go 12 miles on such a night. But three hours and over! So slow a run had never been known on the road.

"What was to be done? To admit my uncertainty meant the loss of my job, and to brave it out any longer seemed almost criminal. In my despair I finally decided to tell the train dispatcher the plain truth—that I had been asleep at my post, and that No. 241 probably went by more than an hour ago. The fact would be known in a few hours any way, I argued, and I would then be arrested for causing death, convicted of criminal negligence and sent to prison.

"It was then 4:15. I drew a long breath and went over to the telegraph desk. Headquarters was again calling to ask if the train had arrived, and I broke in abruptly:

"'You may as well know that'—but the sentence was never finished. I heard a faint puffing and grating, and looking out saw the engine of the belated train opposite my office window. My heart leaped up about a foot, and taking a firm grasp on the key of my instrument I announced:

"'No. 241 h-e-r-e!'

"Deep snow, a terrific wind and the blowing out of a cylinder head on the engine had caused the delay.

"Maybe all's well that ends well, but that experience put an end then and there to my practice of sleeping while on duty."—New York Sun.

Duly Corrected.

One of the first things that a child learns in a family where there are smaller children is to be very efficient in the management of those other children. One small boy, aged 3, has a sister, aged nearly 2, who has a propensity for upsetting her mother's spool basket. For this offense she has had to be corrected several times, and her brother has become aware of the enormity of the offense. Recently the mother heard a terrible uproar in her room, where the children were together, and, going in to see what was the matter, found the little girl weeping, while the boy, looking very conscious of virtue and radiant with efficiency, said, "She tipped over the 'pool basket, mamma—but she's all 'panked!"—Boston Transcript.

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APPOINTMENTS

For Visitation by the Bishop of East Carolina.

June 27, second Sunday after Trinity, M P, S David's, Scuppernong.

June 29, Tuesday, S Peter's day, M P, S James', Haslin.

June 30, Wednesday, M P, S Augustine's, Pantego.

July 1st, Thursday, M P, Yeatesville.

July 1st, Thursday, E P, S Thomas', Bath.

July 2, Friday, Communion, Bath.

July 4, third Sunday after Trinity, M P, S John's, Durham's Creek.

July 6, Tuesday, E P, Chapel of the Cross, Aurora.

July 7, Wednesday, Communion, Chapel of the Cross, Aurora

July 8, Thursday, M P, S John's, Makelyville.

July 9, Friday, E P, Sladesville.

July 11, fourth Sunday after Trinity, M P, S George's, Hyde county.

July 12 Monday, E P, Fairfield.

July 13 Tuesday, E P, Swan Quarter

July 18, fifth Sunday after Trinity, M P, S Paul's, Beaufort.

July 18, fifth Sunday after Trinity, E P, S Clement's, Beaufort.

Com.—Communion.

E P—Evening prayer.

M P—Morning prayer.

Holy communion at all morning services.

The children catechized when practicable.

The Vestries will please be prepared to meet the Bishop.

Offerings to be for Diocesan Missions unless otherwise announced.

— Salisbury *World*: A special to the *World* yesterday afternoon after we had gone to press, stated that bloodhounds were on the trail of the murderer of Mrs. A. A. Springs. The latest information to day is that the search for the murderer has been about abandoned.

Wholesale Prices Current.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute	@	6½
Standard	@	7
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ꝑ ℔	12 @	14
Sides ꝑ ℔	6 @	7
Shoulders ꝑ ℔	6 @	6¾
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ꝑ ℔	5½ @	5¾
Shoulders ꝑ ℔	4¾ @	5¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1 00 @	1 10
New New York, each	1 35 @	1 40
New City, each	1 30 @	1 40
BEESWAX ꝑ ℔	22 @	25
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ꝑ M	6 00 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ꝑ ℔	10 @	16
Northern	15 @	25
CORN MEAL—		
Per Bushel, in sacks	43 @	45
Virginia Meal	43 @	45
COTTON TIES—ꝑ bundle	@	75
CANDLES—ꝑ ℔—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	8 @	10
CHEESE—ꝑ ℔—		
Northern Factory	11 @	12½
Dairy, Cream	12 @	13
State	@	10
COFFEE—ꝑ ℔—		
Laguyra	20 @	
Rio	8½ @	15
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ꝑ yard	@	5¼
Yarns, ꝑ bunch	18 @	20
EGGS—ꝑ dozen	10 @	12
FISH—		
Mackerel, No 1, ꝑ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ꝑ half-barrel	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ꝑ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ꝑ half-barrel	8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ꝑ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ꝑ barrel	3 00 @	3 50
Mullets, ꝑ pork barrel	5 75 @	6 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ꝑ keg	3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ꝑ ℔	5 @	10
" Extra	3 35 @	3 50
FLOUR—ꝑ barrel—		
Low grade	3 50 @	4 00
Choice	@	4 50
Straight	4 00 @	4 75
First Patent	5 25 @	5 50
GLUE—ꝑ ℔	7½ @	8½
GRAIN—ꝑ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bags—White	43 @	45
Car load, in bags—White	41 @	43
Oats, from store	30 @	32½
Oats, Rust Proof	40 @	45
Cow Peas	@	1 00
HIDES, ꝑ ℔—		
Green	@	6
Dry	@	8
HAY, ꝑ 100 ℔s—		
Clover Hay	80 @	85
Rice Straw	@	50
Eastern	@	1 00
Western	90 @	95
North River	@	85
HOOP IRON, ꝑ ℔	@	3
LARD, ꝑ ℔—		
Northern	5 @	5½
North Carolina	8 @	10
LIME, ꝑ barrel	1 15 @	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed), ꝑ M feet—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00 @	15 00
MOLASSES, ꝑ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hhds	@	28
" " in bbls	@	28
Porto Rico, in hhds	@	28
" in bbls	@	30
Sugar-House, in hhds	12 @	14
" in bbls	14 @	15
Syrup, in bbls	15 @	25
NAILS, ꝑ keg, Cut 60d basis	1 50 @	1 60
PORK, ꝑ barrel—		
City Mess	@	9 50
Rump	@	9 00
Prime	@	9 00
ROPE, ꝑ ℔	10 @	22
SALT, ꝑ sack, Alum	@	75
Liverpool	@	70
Lisbon	@	
American	@	60
On 125 ℔ Sacks	40 @	45
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ꝑ M	5 00 @	6 50
Common	1 50 @	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50 @	3 50
SUGAR, ꝑ ℔—Standard Granu'd	@	4 13-16
Standard A	@	4 11-16
White Ex. C	@	4 11-16
Extra C, Golden	@	4½
C Yellow	@	3¾
SOAP, ꝑ ℔—Northern	3¼ @	4
STAVES, ꝑ M—W. O. barrel	6 00 @	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ꝑ M feet—Shipping	@	9 00
Mill, Prime	@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50 @	7 50
Common Mill	4 00 @	5 00
Inferior to Ordinary	@	3 00
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed		
ꝑ M 6x24 heart	7 50 @	8 50
" Sap	5 00 @	6 00
5x24 Heart	4 75 @	5 00
" Sap	4 00 @	4 50
6x20 Heart	5 00 @	6 00
" Sap	5 00 @	5 50
TALLOW, ꝑ ℔	@	4
WHISKEY, ꝑ gallon—Northern	1 00 @	2 00
North Carolina	1 00 @	2 00

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, June 25.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market quiet at 24¼ cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 24¼ cents for country casks.

ROSIN.—Market steady at $1 25 per bbl for Strained and $1 30 for Good Strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.05 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm; $1 30 per barrel for Hard, 1 80 for Yellow Dip and 1 90 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine dull, 23¼, 23¼c; rosin firm, $1 32½, 1 37½; tar, firm, $1.10; crude turpentine steady, $1 30, 1 70, 1 80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	209
Rosin	208
Tar	75
Crude Turpentine	62

Receipts same day last year—85 casks spirits turpentine, 280 bbls rosin, 83 bbls tar, 79 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 7⅝c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5⅛	cts ꝑ ℔
Good Ordinary	6⅝	" "
Low Middling	7¼	" "
Middling	7⅝	" "
Good Middling	7 15-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 7⅛c.

Receipts—25 bales; same day last year 0.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 63@65c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 70c; Fancy, 80c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 45@50c; Fancy, 50c.

CORN—Firm; 43½@45 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams 8 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1 60 to 2.25; six inch, $2 25 to 3.25; seven inch, $5 50 to 6 50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $5.00 to 8.50 per M.

COTTON AND NAVAL STORES.

WEEKLY STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

For week ended June 25, 1897.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
97	1,003	1,774	286	200

RECEIPTS.

For week ended June 26, 1896.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
13	1 071	4,363	504	347

EXPORTS.

For week ended June 25, 1897.

	Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
Domestic	24	281	000	350	216
Foreign	00	000	0.0	000	000
	24	281	000	350	216

EXPORTS.

For week ended June 26, 1896.

	Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
Domestic	13	816	97	486	309
Foreign	00	000	00	000	000
	51	816	97	486	309

STOCKS.

Ashore and Afloat, June 25, 1897.

	Ashore.	Afloat.	Total.
Cotton	3,339	159	3,498
Spirits	2,008	48	2,056
Rosin	24,894	3,120	28,014
Tar	4,343	20	4,363
Crude	395	00	395

STOCKS.

Ashore and Afloat, June 26, 1896.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
4,958	1,193	21,121	6,786	549

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, June 25—Evening.—Money on call was easy at 1@1½ per cent., last loan at 1 and closed offered at 1@1½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@4 per cent. Sterling exchange easy, with actual business in bankers' bills 487¼@487½ for demand; 486@486¼ for sixty days. Posted rates 487@487½ and 488@488½. Commercial bills 485¼. Silver certificates 60⅛@60⅝. Government bonds were firm; fives, registered, 114¼; fives, coupon, 114¼@114½; fours, registered, 111⅜@111½; fours, coupon, 113@113½; twos, registered, 96½. State bonds dull; North Carolina sixes 128; North Carolina fours 104. Railroad bonds were strong.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, June 25.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 72½@1 75. Spirits turpentine steady at 27@27½c.

CHARLESTON, June 25.—Spirits turpentine quiet at 24¼; no sales. Rosin firm; sales — barrels; B, C, D $1 25; E F $1 30, G $1 35, H $1 50, I $1 55, K $1 65, M $1 75, N $1 85, W G $2 00, W W $2 25.

SAVANNAH, June 25.—Spirits turpentine 25c asked, sales of — casks; receipts 1,270 casks Rosin firm at 5c decline; sales 3,891 barrels; receipts — barrels; A, B, C, D $1 30. E $1 35, F $1 40, G $1 45, H $1 60, I $1 70, K $1 70, M $1 80, N $1 85, W G $2 00, W W $2 00.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, June 25.—The cotton market opened quiet and steady at a decline of one to three points The opening prices were the highest of the day for June, July and August. The new crop positions advanced two to three points after the first call. The general market commenced to weaken under a disposition to "stand from under" as to July notices. Anywhere from 6 000 to 7 000 were put in circulation this morning. The result was a decline of three to five points from the best prices of the morning and of one to eight points from the closing prices of yesterday. July showed a decline of eight points at the weakest interval of the market, which was finally quiet at unchanged prices to seven points decline, as compared with the closing figures of Thursday. Crop accounts continue to have a high favorable average.

NEW YORK, June 25—Evening.—Cotton steady; middling 7⅞c.

Cotton futures market closed quiet; sales 86 400 bales; Jan'y 6 85, Feb'y 6 88, March 6 91, May —, June 7 21, July 7 21, August 7 23, September 7 01, October 6 81, November 6 79, December 6 81.

Spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands 7⅞c; middling gulf 8; sales 1,911 bales.

Cotton—net receipts — bales; gross 758 bales; exports to Great Britain 800 bales; to France — bales; to the Continent 3,169 bales; forwarded 758 bales; sales 1,911 bales; sales to spinners 1,059 bales; stock (actual) 104,-879 bales.

Weekly net receipts 1 bale; gross 6,805 bales; exports to Great Britain 1 956 bales; to France 435 bales; to the Continent 6,276 bales; forwarded 4 306 bales; sales 10,155 bales; sales to spinners 4,648 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 219 bales; exports to Great Britain 821 bales; to France — bales; to the Continent 3,638 bales; stock 207,007 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 6,051 bales; exports to Great Britain 9,013 bales; to France 435 bales; to the Continent 12,115 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 6 590,327 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,980,367 bales; exports to France 692 597 bales; exports to the Continent 2,010,520 bales; to the Channel 5,461 bales.

June 25.—Galveston, firm at 7 9 16, net receipts 172 bales; Norfolk, steady at 7⅝, net receipts — bales; Baltimore, nominal at 7⅞, net receipts 19 bales; Boston, quiet at 7⅞, net receipts — bales; Wilmington, steady at 7⅝, net receipts 25 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 8, net receipts — bales; Savannah, quiet at 7⅜, net receipts 25 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 7 9-16, net receipts 5 bales; Mobile, nominal at 7⅜, net receipts 8 bales; Memphis, firm at 7⅜ net receipts 58 bales; Augusta, steady at 7⅝, net receipts 6 bales; Charleston, quiet at 7⅜, net receipts 26 bales

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, June 25.—Evening—Flour higher on spring patents; others very steady; Southern unchanged. Wheat—spot firm; No. 1 Northern New York 78⅞c afloat No 1 Northern Duluth 79⅝c afloat; options opened steady and advanced immediately, led by a scare in July shorts, ruled very steady all day, with a final slight reaction from top under realizing and closed ¼@1⅛c higher; No. 2 red June closed at 77c; July 77⅝@76, closed 75⅝c; September 70¼@70 9 16, closed 70⅛c. Corn—spot was quiet; No. 2 29⅛c at elevator and 30⅛c afloat; options opened firm and advanced on covering, but later eased off with wheat, closing ⅛c net lower; June closed at 29⅛c; July 29⅛@29⅜c, closed 29⅛c; September 31⅛c. Oats—spot quiet; No. 2 23@23⅛c; options moderately active and steady, closing unchanged; July 23⅛@23⅜c, closed 23⅛c; August closed 23⅛c. Pork dull. Lard steady; Western steam $4 10. July closed at $4 20, nominal; refined lard steady; Continent $4 40; South American $5 00; compound $3 87½@4 12½. Butter was quiet; Western creamery 11@15c; do. factory 7½@10½c; Elgins 15c; imitation creamery 9½@12½c; State dairy 10@14c; do. creamery 11@15c. Cheese easier; State large 7⅝@8½; small fancy 7⅝@7⅞c; Western, part skims 4@6½c; full skims 2½@3c. Eggs—market dull; State and Pennsylvania 11½c; Western fresh 10@10½c. Cotton seed oil steady, with a moderate jobbing demand; prime crude mills 16@16½c; butter grades 23c, prime white 26@27c. Molasses steady. Rice quiet; domestic fair to extra 4½@6c; Japan 4½@4⅝c. Petroleum dull. Tallow steady. Cabbage per crate or barrel $1 00@1 12½. Tomatoes per carrier $1 00@1 75. Potatoes quiet; New York $1 50@1 75; Southern $2 25@2 75 (new). Coffee—Spot Rio dull; Cordova 11@17½c Sugar—raw quiet and steady; fair refining 3c; centrifugal 96 test 3⅛c; refined steady.

CHICAGO, June 25.—Wheat was again strongly affected by the bogie man of the shorts, fear of July manipulation. The result was a good many violent fluctuations and a closing advance of about 1⅛c in July options. Other grain and provision markets were neglected. Corn closed unchanged, oats ⅛c lower and provisions 2½@5c higher.

CHICAGO, June 25.—Cash quotations: Flour steady. Wheat, No. 2 spring 72⅝c; No. 3 spring 63@71c; No. 2 red 76⅝@81⅛c. Corn—No.2 25@25⅛. Oats—No 2 18@18⅛c; No.2 white free on board 23@23⅛c; No.3 white free on board 20⅛@22c. Mess pork per barrel. $7 55@7 60. Lard, per 100 lbs $3 92½. Short rib sides, loose, $4 30@4 60. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4 75@5 00. Short clear sides, boxed, $4 62½@4 75. Whiskey $1 19.

The leading futures ranged as follows, opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—July 69⅞@70, 73, 69⅞, 71⅛c; September 64⅛@64⅛, 64⅝@64⅞, 64⅜, 64⅝c; December 66⅜@66⅝, 66⅝, 66⅜, 66⅜c. Corn—June 24⅞@24⅞, 25@25⅛, 24⅞@24⅞, 24⅞@25c. July 24⅞@25, 25⅛@25⅛, 24⅞@25, 25@25⅛c September 25⅞@26, 26⅛, 25⅞@25⅞, 26c. Oats—No. 2 July 18, 18⅛@18⅛, 18, 18; September 18, 18⅛, 17⅞, 18c. Mess pork—July $7 45, 7 57½, 7 45, 7 55; September $7 55, 7 70, 7 50, 7 65. Lard—July $3 87½, 3 95, 3 87½, 3 95; September $3 97½, 4 05, 3 97½, 4 04. Short ribs—July $4 40, 4 47½, 4 40, 4 47½; September $4 47½, 4 52½, 4 45, 4 45½.

BALTIMORE, June 25.—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat—spot unchanged; September 68⅜@68⅝c; Southern wheat by sample, 65@72c. Corn steady; spot and month 28⅜@28⅝c; July 28⅞@29c; August 29⅛@29⅛c; September 29⅜@30c; steamer mixed 27⅛@27⅛c; Southern white 31⅛@32c; do yellow 33@33⅛c. Oats steady; No. 2 white 25⅛@26c; No 2 mixed 23@23⅛c.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, June 25.—4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot quiet and prices in favor of buyers. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export, and including 8,500 American. Receipts 1,000 bales, of which 700 were American. Futures opened quiet with a fair demand, and closed quiet but steady at the decline. American middling (l m c): June 4 2-64@4 3 64d buyer; June and July 4 2 64@4 3 64d buyer; July and August 4 2 64d seller; August and September 3 62-64@3 63 64d buyer; September and October 3 56-64@3 57-64d value; October and November 3 50-64@3 51 64d buyer; November and December 3 48-64@3 49-64d seller; December and January 3 47 64d buyer; January and February 3 47-64d buyer; February and March 3 47 64@3 48 64d buyer; March and April 3 48 64@3 49 64d buyer.

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Franklin was not only the foremost citizen of Philadelphia, where the congress was sitting; he was the most experienced publicist and the most accomplished man of letters in all the 13 colonies, and he was especially well equipped for the drawing up of an appeal to Europe, as he had but just returned from London, where he had been pleading the cause of his countrymen with indomitable courage and indisputable skill. Yet Franklin was not asked to write the Declaration of Independence, and, although he and Adams made a few verbal amendments, the credit of that great state paper belongs to Jefferson. And why was it that this responsibility was placed on Jefferson and not on Franklin?

I think the explanation lies in the fact that Franklin was a humorist. Not only was Franklin's sturdy common sense felt to be too plain a homespun for wear in the courts of Europe, when the thought needed to be attired in all the lofty rhetoric that the most fervid enthusiasm could produce, but also, I fear me greatly, his colleagues were afraid that Franklin would have his joke. It would be a good joke, no doubt—probably a very good joke—but the very best of jokes would not be in keeping with the stately occasion. They were acute, those leaders of the continental congress, and they knew that every man has the defects of his qualities, and that a humorist is likely to be lacking in reverence, and the writer of the Declaration of Independence had a theme which demanded the most reverential treatment.

So it was that Benjamin Franklin had to pay the penalty of humor in the last century just as Abraham Lincoln had to pay it in this century. Because Lincoln was swift to seize upon an incongruity and because he sought relief for his abiding melancholy in playfulness there were not a few who refused to take him seriously.

Even after his death there were honest folk who held the shrewdest and loftiest of our statesmen to have been little better than a buffoon. Of the three greatest Americans—Franklin, Washington and Lincoln—two were humorists, and it is, perhaps, his deficiency in humor which makes Washington seem more remote from us and less friendly than either of the others.—Chicago Tribune.

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Guess we're glad it's spring agin, ye an me.
Winter's hard on old folks. Well, I swow!
Ye don't look old. Them blossoms, now,
Kind o' kiver up the scars 'at time has made.
Wouldn't no one guess quite how long ye've staid
Growin right out thar seein ye today.
Thought ye'd git a spring suit, now it's May?
Jes' like ye goin to git a pitcher took.
Can't fool me, old cheat, braggin how ye look.
I see ye 'long in March desolate an bare,
Hollow down one side, a-showin of me where
Ye lost that big limb back in seventy-five.
Guess I remember! Then—she—wuz—alive.
Ah, me! They's storms fer men well's trees.
Thet storm nigh killed me. Guess he who sees
Wut's in all hearts knows mine is hollow, too,
Scarred an tore like yourn from thet awful blow.
Well, well, russet, don't min the old man.
This is May, so bloom away 's long as ye can.
My! Ain't ye fine! Wisht she c'd see ye now—
Thousands of pearly petals tremblin on every bough,
Fallin when the breeze blows, flutterin sof' an slow,
Spreadin a snowy carpet on the groun below.
An all them pink buds peepin through the green.
A flow'rin apple tree's the purtiest thing I ever seen.
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'Ith the smell of them blossoms swayin up there.
They's nothin half so purty as an apple tree in May,
When the blossoms scent the air agin an spring has come to stay.

—J. L. Heaton in "The Quilting Bee."

A QUEER INTERVIEW.

The story I was reading had a ghastly attempt at murder. Lady Forrester heard the figure creeping toward her in the dark. She saw it pass in front of one window, and then in agony waited for it to reach the other. She tried to cry out, but was powerless, as in a nightmare. Then the cloth, saturated in chloroform, was pressed over her face, and—well, I could stand it no longer, and went to bed.

When the bedclothes were tucked tight about my chin, I felt better. In my hand I held a 32 caliber Smith & Wesson, and I tried not to think of the choloform saturated cloth and the sinking feeling of Lady Forrester. A revolver is a comfort against ghosts, imaginary robbers and mice in the walls.

For awhile I only had the last to guard against. Then the imaginary robber came pattering up the tin roof of the old shed under my window. I rose up in bed, ready to be a hero. Looking out, I saw, by the moonlight, that it was only the icicles melting and dropping down.

After that I grew sleepy. I turned over on my side, resting my temple against the barrel of my revolver. Through the window I looked up toward the barn where slept Virginia of Virginia, a three-quarter bred filly, of which I had hopes.

The trees were all thickly incrusted with ice, shining in the moonlight with a summery effect of silver leaves. The thaw kept on tinkling down the icicles in the most engaging way, and altogether I completely forgot about Lady Forrester and the chloroform saturated cloth.

Just as I was dozing off my window was darkened, the sash rose and a man put one foot into the room. My heart gave one big jump, and then I became quite calm. The man looked 60 years old and cold and wet, and my pistol, as it lay on my pillow, pointed directly at him. I quite pitied him; I was so warm under two down comforters, and I knew he would presently be so disappointed.

When he had got his second leg inside and was sitting on the window sill, peering into the shadow of the room, I spoke:

"To what, may I ask, do I owe the honor of this visit?" I have often wished I could be as polite to my friends and relations as I am to the blacklegs I meet.

The robber gasped and then in the approved way hissed to me to hold my peace an I valued my existence.

"For your sake," I replied with unabated politeness, "I regret to say that I've got the drop on you."

"That air a fish story," he returned snappishly. In his experience men did not get the drop on any one without swift action.

I moved my hand about four inches into the bar of moonshine that fell across the edge of the pillow.

"Do you believe now?" I asked. The pistol was in plain sight.

The burglar looked crestfallen. "I see that my incognito can no longer be preserved," he said, speaking in an entirely different voice—that of a cultivated gentleman. He crossed his legs comfortably. "I must confess to you that I am no burglar at all, but a ghost."

"You may tell that," said I, "to the marines."

"I did not expect you to believe me," he said patiently. "But if you will kindly take that tennis racket at the head of your bed, you will find that you can wave it through me, or you may throw a pillow at me and I shall be no hindrance to its passing out of the window."

The fellow was very plausible. I have cut my eyeteeth, however, and a moment's reflection showed me that the burglar hoped by his stratagem either to wrench the tennis racket from my hand and brain me, or to escape under cover of the pillow, as Hector once escaped from an awkward predicament, in a cloud.

The burglar seemed to read my thoughts. With quiet courtesy he continued, "Or I will simply fade away, if that will convince you better."

"If you can fade away before I get a shot at you, it certainly, will convince me," I said with some asperity.

"Would you rather have me disappear suddenly, or, with a lingering smile, gradually, like the Cheshire cat?" he asked.

I laughed. The fellow's assurance amused me. "You may leave your smile as a memento," I answered, humoring him and cocking my pistol. It was a self cocking revolver, so that this was unnecessary, but I thought the moral effect would be good.

The burglar smiled in a superior way, which nettled me. I went on: "Not that your smile strikes me as anything remarkable"— I was going to add more had not a wonderful thing happened, which if I had not seen it myself I could hardly believe. The room grew lighter, and I, still looking at the burglar, found myself seeing, instead, the rows of ice covered trees and the barn, while the moonlight again flooded the floor.

Dazed, I clutched my brow, thinking sudden blindness had stricken me. Then remembering that blindness would shut out the moonlight and the barn as well as the burglar, I drew a breath of relief. Still staring at the window, I presently made out a faint ironical smile where the burglar's head had been, and cold beads of sweat stood on my brow as I comprehended that the words of the burglar must be true.

I sat up in bed and would have fled from the room, had I dared turn my back on that cold, clammy smile. Its having no eyes or ears gave it a ghastly grewsomeness which a man can hardly picture to himself within whose experience no such smile has ever come. The smile as I gazed grew more mocking.

"I thoroughly believe you now," I cried, writhing under its amusement, and moreover impelled by a polite desire to make the amende honorable for having doubted the word of my guest.

The smile vouchsafed no response, and I became uneasy.

"Won't you please come back?" I pleaded nervously—"the rest of you, I mean." Still there came no sign.

"It was very embarrassing, your disappearing so suddenly, when you had promised to disappear gradually," I continued, my uneasiness changing to irritation: "I can't talk to a smile by itself. Let me at least have your ears, to be sure that you can hear me."

The words were hardly out of my mouth before the whole burglar sat again on the window sill.

"Thank you," I said, relieved.

"Don't mention it," said the burglar, "I hope I didn't make the smile too weak. I forgot that you were not used to the night like me."

"Not at all," I answered. "I only wish that I could smile as well at afternoon teas when I want to disappear."

The burglar—or rather the ghost, as it would now be polite to call him—seemed pleased. He smiled again that smile which I knew so well, as the story books say.

"You flatter me," he replied. "It's an accomplishment that any ghost can learn, though most of them neglect it—not but that they have time enough." A pained look swept across his features.

I felt the delicacy of the situation and changed the subject.

"Would you mind telling me why you pretended to be a burglar?" I asked.

He laughed. "It was just for fun. People latterly had taken to receiving mde coldly and skeptically as a ghost, and it hurt my feelings. Burglars are always believed in."

"Then you are not the ghost of a burglar?" I queried.

"No. I was a lawyer—a distinguished lawyer, I may say, of some time ago. My name is Symonds, and you probably remember that I was counsel for the plaintiff in the celebrated Mifflin-Scarborough divorce trial, shortly before my death. Now that I am found out, I suppose I ought to appear in my proper clothes." He glanced down at his suit in a shamefaced way. "The truth is I have become so accustomed to these old burglar duds that I wear them most of the time."

"I am no stickler for etiquette at this time of night," I said, waving my hand in a deprecating way. I had become strangely interested in the gentleman and reached down to the chair at my bedside for my notebook and pencil, which always lie there for ideas that may come during the night. Holding the notebook in the bar of moonshine at the edge of my pillow, I began to jot down a few incidents of our conversation.

"What are you doing?" asked the ghost.

"Just taking down a few of your remarks," I answered.

"May I inquire what for?"

"I'm a reporter," I said, laying down my pencil, for it occurred to me that he might not know of all our modern innovations. "It is true that I am at home, temporarily out of a job, but I should like to work up a special article, if you don't mind, of an interview with you."

The ghost looked puzzled and a little alarmed, yet not altogether displeased. He uncrossed his legs and sat up straight, preening himself, as a man of fashion does, smoothing his hair and putting his hand to his cravat. And when I looked at him again he was no longer dressed in his burglar clothes, but in the most picturesque old velvet suit, embroidered in white, with knee breeches, silk stockings on his well turned legs and a powdered wig.

The change did not surprise me, though I was a little amazed to find so much vanity still residing in one who could hardly expect our fin de siecle to take him seriously, at least by daylight. I made a note, however, of his distinguished appearance, for I have noticed in my profession that that is the most important part of an interview, as far as the person interviewed is concerned. Then I came to my leading question:

"Will you please tell the readers of the ——— (I will fill in the name when I have sold the article) why you do not rest in your grave, but haunt?"

"Sir!" he shouted indignantly. "You have no right to ask such a question. It is no affair of yours."

"Mr. Symonds," I answered respectfully, but with dignity, "I am not asking this to satisfy my own curiosity. For me it suffices that you do haunt and do come here at an hour which for any one not in your condition of life, or—or—or death, would be unseemly. It is solely in my professional capacity as reporter, to satisfy the craving for information of the great American people, as exemplified in the readers of the—whatever paper buys my story—that I ask you this question."

"It is nevertheless a question no gentleman would ask," he answered hotly.

Still preserving my calm, in spite of his language, I replied, "Mr. Symonds, in the celebrated divorce trial, in which you were counsel for the plaintiff, you asked infinitely more impertinent questions in the discharge of your duties than I am now asked in the discharge of mine."

The ghost winced. I had known nothing of this particular Mifflin-Scarborough case, yet of divorce trials in general I knew enough to make the assertion confidently. For a minute the ghost sat silent, pondering, abashed.

"Are all your questions as searching?" he asked at length, humbly.

"All," I answered firmly, to dispel any lingering erroneous hopes he might entertain. I smiled at his dismay, a smile perhaps as irritating to him as his detached or disembodied smile had been to me. It was my triumph, and I showed it, perhaps too plainly, forgetting one resource of a ghost for extricating himself from unpleasant predicaments.

Not another word was spoken, but all at once I found myself again looking through the window, the view, this time, not even obstructed by a smile.

I never saw Mr. Symonds again. Evidently the complications of our fin de siecle civilization were too much for him.—Kenneth Brown in Magpie.

PAPA'S PLAYTHINGS.

They Were Displayed at a Very Bad Time and Place.

She was a daintily dressed young mother and justly proud of the curly headed boy in his natty sailor suit who sat by her side in the street car. Of course he was not like other boys, yet he was just enough tainted with juvenile humanity to keep squirming like an eel in restricted quarters.

"Do keep quiet, Hallie," she said in gentle tones. "Can't you look out the window or play that you were going on a long journey with mamma?"

But the infant had his own idea of amusement. Taking his cap from his fair hair, he swept the ribbons aside and placed the silk lined headgear on his knees. Then he put a chubby, dimpled hand into either pocket, and they came out filled with red, white and blue disks of composition such as serves in some cases as a substitute for ivory. Those that didn't rattle to the floor went into the cap which the little fellow placed on the seat while he chased up those that had escaped.

The mother's countenance became a beautiful scarlet. Worldly men on the car laughed and winked at one another. Good old ladies smiled in sympathy where they might have frowned had they known more, for the disks were unmistakably poker chips.

"Why, Hallie, where in the world did you get those things?" asked the pretty matron. "Some naughty boy must have given them to you."

"Nope!" shouted the cherub. "Found the pretty things in papa's verlise behind the trunk. Whole lot of beau'ful picture cards there too. S'pect he was goin to give 'em to Hallie nex' Chris'mas. I don't wanter lose none of 'em," as he dived between the legs of a fat man who was approaching that condition where he would have to explode or roar aloud.

"Never mind the rest, dear," urged the mother as she rose with charming dignity and signaled the conductor. "We get off here."

"No, we don't," insisted the irrepressible; "it's more'n a mile yet."

But she hurried forth with him in one hand and his cap in the other. Then there was a great clatter of poker chips on the asphalt.—Detroit Free Press.

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WESTWARD.

	No. 41.	No. 403.
Leave Wilmington	*3 20 p m	....
Leave Lumberton	5 26 p m	....
Leave Maxton	6 1[illegible] p m	....
Leave Laurinburg	6 23 p m	....
Arrive Hamlet	6 55 p m	....
Leave Hamlet	7 13 p m	*5 [illegible]pm
Leave Rockingham	7 30 p m	5 22am
Leave Wadesboro	8 11 p m	5 54am
Leave Marshville	8 45 p m	6 22am
Arrive Monroe	9 15 p m	6 43am
Leave Monroe	9 30 p m	7 00am
Arrive Charlotte	10 25 p m	7 50am
Arrive Mt. Holly	....	9 20am
Arrive Lincolnton	....	10 20am
Arrive Shelby	....	1 18pm
Arrive Ellenboro	....	11 55pm
Arrive Rutherfordton	....	12 30pm

*8 40 a m	Leave......Hamlet......Arrive		8 20pm
10 00 a m	Arrive......Cheraw......Leave		*6 00pm

EASTWARD.

	No. 38	No. 402.
Leave Rutherfordton	....	*4 25pm
Leave Ellenboro	....	5 15pm
Leave Shelby	....	5 55pm
Leave Lincolnton	....	6 56pm
Leave Mt. Holly	....	7 54pm
Leave Charlotte	*5 10 am	8 25pm
Arrive Monroe	5 55 am	9 10pm
Leave Monroe	6 05 am	9 40pm
Leave Marshville	6 25 am	....
Leave Wadesboro	7 01 am	10 31pm
Leave Rockingham	7 41 am	11 05pm
Arrive Hamlet	7 55 am	11 20pm
Leave Hamlet	8 10 am	....
Leave Laurinburg	8 46 am	....
Leave Maxton	9 05 am	....
Leave Lumberton	9 51 am	....
Arrive Wilmington	12 05 pm	....

NORTHWARD.

Leave Hamlet	*8 15 am	*11 20pm
Arrive Raleigh	11 30 am	2 16am
Arrive Portsmouth	5 50 pm	7 25am
Arrive Richmond	*6 50 pm	*8 15am
Arrive Washington	11 10 pm	12 31pm
Arrive New York	6 53 am	6 23pm

SOUTHWARD.

Leave Monroe	*9 48am	*9 25pm
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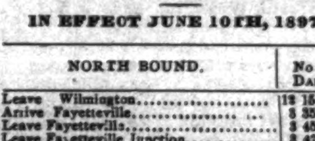

CONDENSED SCHEDULE.

IN EFFECT JUNE 10TH, 1897.

NORTH BOUND.	No. 2. DAILY.
Leave Wilmington	12 15 p m
Arrive Fayetteville	3 35 "
Leave Fayetteville	3 45 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	3 47 "
Arrive Sanford	5 02 "
Leave Sanford	5 05 "
Leave Climax	6 54 "
Arrive Greensboro	7 25 "
Leave Greensboro	7 45 "
Leave Stokesdale	8 33 "
Leave Walnut Cove	9 08 "
Leave Rural Hall	9 30 "
Arrive Mt. Airy	11 00 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 1.
Leave Mt Airy	5 25 a m
Leave Rural Hall	6 50 "
Leave Walnut Cove	7 19 "
Leave Stokesdale	7 52 "
Arrive Greensboro	8 40 "
Leave Greensboro	9 00 "
Leave Climax	9 29 "
Leave Sanford	11 20 "
Arrive Fayetteville Junction	12 42 p m
†Arrive Fayetteville	12 45 "
Leave Fayetteville	1 13 "
Arrive Wilmington	4 31 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 4. DAILY.
Leave Bennettsville	7 45 a m
Arrive Maxton	9 00 "
Leave Maxton	9 17 "
Leave Red Springs	9 37 "
Leave Hope Mills	10 20 "
Arrive Fayetteville	10 52 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 3. DAILY.
Leave Fayetteville	4 45 p m
Leave Hope Mills	5 02 "
Leave Red Springs	5 42 "
Arrive Maxton	6 11 "
Leave Maxton	6 15 "
Arrive Bennettsville	7 20 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16. Mixed. Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Ramseur	7 45 a m
Leave Climax	9 33 "
Arrive Greensboro	10 20 "
Leave Greensboro	10 55 "
Leave Stokesdale	12 20 p m
Arrive Madison	1 10 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 15. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Madison	2 10 p m
Leave Stokesdale	3 05 "
Arrive Greensboro	4 30 "
Leave Greensboro	5 45 "
Leave Climax	6 37 "
Arrive Ramseur	8 35 "

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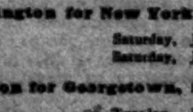

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PAWNEE,	Saturday,	June 19
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SCHEDULE IN EFFECT MAY 27, 1897.

DEPARTURES FROM WILMINGTON—NORTHBOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A M — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 10.40 a m, Warsaw 10.55 a m, Goldsboro 11.55 a m, Wilson 12.46 p m, Rocky Mount 1.20 p m, Tarboro 2.30 p m, Weldon 3.39 p m, Petersburg 5.54 p m, Richmond 6.50 p m, Norfolk 6.05 p m, Washington 11.10 p m, Baltimore 12.53 a m, Philadelphia 3.45 a m, New York 6.53 a m, †Boston 3.00 p m.

DAILY 7.15 P M — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.55 p m, Warsaw 9.10 p m, Goldsboro 10.10 p m, Wilson 11.06 p m, †Tarboro 6.45 a m, Rocky Mount 11.57 p m, Weldon 1.44 a m, †Norfolk 10.30 a m, Petersburg 3.24 a m, Richmond 4.20 a m, Washington 7.41 a m, Baltimore 9.05 a m, Philadelphia 11.25 a m, New York 2.03 p m, Boston 8.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND.

DAILY 3.40 P M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.55 p m, Chadbourn 5.29 p m, Marion 6.41 p m, Florence 7.25 p m, Sumter 8.42 p m, Columbia 10.05 p m, Denmark 6.20 a m, Augusta 8.10 a m, Macon 11.00 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 10.20 p m, Savannah 12.50 a m, Jacksonville 7.30 a m, St. Augustine 10.30 a m, Tampa 5.45 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.40 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave †Boston 1.03 p m, *New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 2.50 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.05 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.50 a m, Tarboro 12.12 p m, Rocky Mount 12.45 p m, Wilson 2.12 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.02 p m, Magnolia 4.16 p m.

DAILY 9.40 a m — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.09 p m, Baltimore 2.25 p m, Washington 3.46 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 2.20 p m, Weldon 9.43 p m, †Tarboro 6.01 p m, Rock Mount 5.45 a m, leave Wilson 6.20 a m, Goldsboro 7.05 a m, Warsaw 7.54 a m, Magnolia 8.07 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12.15 p m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.25 a m, Sanford 2.19 p m, Jacksonville 7.00 p m, Savannah 12.45 night, Charleston 5.30 a m, Columbia 5.50 a m, Atlanta 8.20 a m, Macon 9.30 a m, Augusta 3.05 p m, Denmark 4.55 p m, Sumter 6.45 a m, Florence 8.55 a m, Marion 9.34 a m, Chadbourn 10.35 a m, Lake Waccamaw 11.06 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.10 p m, Halifax 4.28 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.20 p m, Greenville 6.57 p m, Kinston 7.55 p m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 a m, Greenville 8.52 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11.18 a m, Weldon 11.33 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.20 a m and 1.00 p m, arrive Parmele 9.10 a m and 2.40 p m; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 a m and 6.30 p m, arrives Washington 11.00 a m and 7.30 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 p m, Sunday, 4.05 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.40 p m and 6 p m. Returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 a m, and Sunday 9 a m. Arrive Tarboro 10.05 a m and 11 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.10 a m; arrive Smithfield N. C., 8.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9.00 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 10.25 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.30 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8.35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9.05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 8.30 a m and 4.10 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 11.30 a m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9.10 a m, arrive Latta 9.30 a m, Dillon 9.43 a m, Rowland 10.00 a m, returning leaves Rowland 6.10 p m, arrives Dillon 6.30 p m, Latta 6.44 p m, Pee Dee 7.08 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 1.00 p m, leave Conway 2.45 p m, Chadbourn 5.40 p m, arrive Hub 6.20 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6.42 p m, Manning 7.10 p m, arrive Lane's 7.48 p m, leave Lanes 8.38 a m, Manning 9.05 a m, arrive Sumter 9.35 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7.55 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 9.14 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 3 p m, arrive Lanes 8.25 a m, 5.25 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday 8.55 a m, arrive Darlington 9.28 a m, Cheraw 10.40 a m. Wadesboro 2.25 p m, leave Florence daily except Sunday 8.10 p m, arrive Darlington 8.40 p m, Hartsville 9.35 p m, Bennettsville 9.36 p m, Gibson 10 p m. Leave Florence Sunday only 9 a m, arrive Darlington 9.27 a m, Hartsville 10.10 a m.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday 6.15 a m, Bennettsville 6.41 a m, arrive Darlington 7.40 a m. Leave Hartsville daily except Sunday 6.30 a m, arrive Darlington 7.15 a m, leave Darlington 7.45 a m, arrive Florence 8.15 a m. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3 p m, Cheraw 5.15 p m, Darlington 6.29 p m, arrive Florence 7.00 a m. Leave Hartsville Sunday only 7 a m, Darlington 7.45 a m, arrive Florence 8.10 a m.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.05 p m, 11.18 p m, arrive Selma 3.00 p m, Smithfield 3.08 p m, Dunn 3.50 p m, Fayetteville 4.40 p m, 1.14 a m, Rowland 6.10 p m, returning leave Rowland 10.00 a m, Fayetteville 11.20 a m, 10.20 p m, Dunn 12.07 p m, Smithfield 12.48 p m, Selma 1.00 p m, arrive Wilson 1.43 p m, 12.10 a m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 4.40 a m, Creston 5.34 a m, arrive Denmark 6.30 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4.55 p m, Creston 5.47 p m, Sumter 6.40 p m. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5.45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9.15 a m, Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m, arrives Creston 3.50 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 11.10 a m and 7.45 p m, arrive Lucknow 1 p m and 8.45 p m, Returning leave Lucknow 6.05 a m and 2.00 p m, arrive Elliott 8.25 a m and 3.30 p m.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

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W., N. & N. Railway

In Effect Sunday, May 17, 1896

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

NORTH BOUND *5	NORTH BOUND †8	STATIONS.	SOUTH BOUND †7	SOUTH BOUND *6
A M	P M	—WILMINGTON—	P M	P M
	3 00	Lv...Walnut street...Ar	12 40	
7 00	3 10	Lv...Surry street....Ar	12 30	3 35
9 50		Ar...Jacksonville.....Lv		12 05
11 00	3 58	Lv " ....Ar	10 42	10 25
11 58	4 30	Lv...Maysville.........Lv	10 09	9 18
12 30	4 44	Lv...Pollocksville.....Lv	9 52	8 50
1 30	5 25	Ar...Newbern...........Lv	9 20	8 00
	P M		A M	

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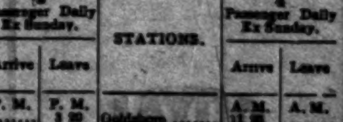

In Effect Wednesday, May 27th, 1896.

GOING EAST. 3 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 20	Goldsboro	11 25	....
....	4 12	Kinston	10 28	....
5 16	5 25	Newbern	9 17	9 32
6 27	6 42	Morehead City	8 02	8 07
P. M	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 a. m., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 p. m., and with W. N. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 p. m., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 p. m. No. 1 train also connects with W. N. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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SATURDAY MORNING, JUNE 26, 1897

TROUBLE AT KEY WEST.

NEGROES THREATEN TO BURN THE CITY AND KILL THE WHITES.

One White Man Killed and Several Others Wounded—Gov. Bloxham Telegraphs McKinley Asking That U. S. Troops Aid the Local Authorities to Suppress the Disturbance.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KEY WEST, FLA., June 25.—For forty-eight hours this city has been on a verge of a race war. Mrs. Maggie Atwell, white, was ravished Wednesday afternoon by Sylvanus Johnson, colored, who was promptly identified and jailed. Two unsuccessful attempts were made by white men yesterday to lynch him and the efforts greatly enraged the blacks. As a measure of precaution against an outbreak on either side, the Island City Guards, the local militia company, slept at their armory last night. Late in the evening the negroes openly threatened to burn the city and kill the white inhabitants, surrounded the county jail and the armory and began to discharge firearms promiscuously. William Gardner, a highly respected white citizen, was killed by a bullet. James Sawyer, another white man, was beaten senseless by the blacks. No further outbreaks have occurred to-day. The militia took their guns from the armory this morning and to-night are at the city hall, while 200 citizens, sworn in as deputy sheriffs, and the soldiers at the United States barracks are ready to assist the militia.

TALLAHASSEE FLA., June 25—Upon receipt of a telegram from Key West about noon to day, Adjutant General Houston immediately wired to the Key West militia company to report at once to Sheriff Knight for duty, and Governor Bloxham telegraphed to President McKinley as follows:

"The sheriff at Key West wires me as follows: 'A negro prisoner is in jail, charged with rape on a white woman. An attempt was made to lynch him. The negroes are greatly enraged and threaten to burn the city and kill the whites. A large number of negroes last night surrounded the jail and court house squares and about 11 o'clock The negroes began firing rifles and pistols, killing one white man, and several others are reported wounded. Great excitement prevails and serious trouble is impending to-night. I request you to order the Key West military company to our assistance, but am afraid that one company will be powerless before a mob of infuriated blacks, and I ask that you request the commanding officer of the United States troops stationed here to come to the assistance of the civil authorities, if needed, to save life and property. State troops cannot reach Key West sooner than Sunday night.'

"Similar requests were wired by the county judge, circuit clerk, immigration inspector and two justices of the peace. Owing to the distance of Key West from the main land I can furnish only the one company in Key West, and make application for the assistance of the United States troops if necessary, at the urgent request of the officials and citizens of Key West.

"(Signed) W. D. BLOXHAM,
"Governor of Florida."

WASHINGTON, June 25—This afternoon the Governor of Florida telegraphed President McKinley that a riot is threatened at Key West, and asked him that, in view of the distance of Key West from the main land and the difficulty of getting State troops to the scene of trouble in time to be of any avail, to instruct the commander of the Federal troops there to act. The President replied to the Governor, citing the law in the case and asking for particulars. Secretary Alger has telegraphed to the commandant of the post of Key West asking for telegraphic advices giving the exact situation. The action to be taken will depend upon the response to these inquiries.

The request of the Governor for the assistance of Federal troops was discussed at a conference at the White House to-night. There were present besides the President. Secretary Alger, Attorney General McKenna and Gen. Brock, of the army. The conference lasted until 11 o'clock. Secretary Alger stated that there had been nothing further received from Key West bearing on the situation and in the absence of any information no action has yet been taken on the Governor's request. There are two companies of artillery and one or more of infantry stationed at that point.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

Of Stocks, Receipts and Exports of Cotton.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, June 25.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending June 25,

	1897	1896
Net receipts at all United States ports during the week...	6,051	10,467
Total receipts to this date.....	6,590,339	5,184,271
Exports for the week	21,563	26,635
Total exports to this date.....	5,779,947	4,361,960
Stock in all United States ports.....	207,007	259,489
Stock at all interior towns.....	55,803	98 141
Stock in Liverpool...	999,000	888,000
American afloat for Great Britain.....	25.000	33,000

RECEIPTS OF COTTON

At All the Ports Since September 1, 1896.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, June 25.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1, 1896: Galveston, 1,343,225; New Orleans, 2,066,589; Mobile, 308,098; Savannah, 839,811; Wilmington, 284,853; Charleston, 399 397; Norfolk, 708,864; Baltimore, 59,039; New York, 108,357; Boston, 158,439; Newport News, 9 707; Philadelphia, 44,598; West Point, Va., 50; Brunswick, 125,161; Texas City, 54 245; Pensacola, 67,893; Port Royal, 78 699 Total, 6 590 327

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TARIFF DISCUSSION.

THE WOOL, SILK AND TOBACCO SCHEDULES COMPLETED.

Strong Contest Made by Democrats Against Increased Rates on Carpets and Silk Fabrics—The Rate on Tobacco Wrappers and Leaf Slightly Advanced.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—The Senate to-day completed the wool schedule, the silk schedule and the tobacco schedule of the Tariff bill, and with this accomplished the tariff leaders had the satisfaction of knowing that all the schedules of the bill and the free list has been gone over once. There now remains only to go through the bill a second time, passing on the items passed over. These are very numerous and important, including hides, gloves, coal, tea, and beer. After that the internal revenue features of the bill will be all that remain. Progress was rapid to day, although every paragraph relating to carpets was stubbornly contested. The consideration of the silk schedule led to a strong contest against the proposed duties on silk fabrics. Senators Teller and Mantle joining with the Democrats in opposition. The paragraph was passed by the slender majority of two. The tobacco schedule went through with little friction after the committee had advanced the duty lightly on wrapper and leaf tobacco.

The resolution of Senator Hale, of Maine, relative to restricting the privileges of ex-Senators on the floor of the Senate to those not interested in legislation and claims, was referred without comment to the Committee on Rules.

The consideration of the wool schedule was resumed at paragraph 870, relating to aubasson, axminster, moquette and chinelle carpets, the committee rate being 62½ cents per yard and 40 per cent. ad valorem. Agreed to.

Paragraph 871, saxony, wilton and tournay velvet carpets, was agreed to, with an increase in the specific duty from 60 to 62 cents per yard, the ad valorem being left at 40 per cent.

On paragraph 878, Brussells carpets, figured or plain, the specific duty was increased from 44 to 45 cents per square yard with 40 per cent. ad valorem in addition,

On paragraph 873, velvet and tapestry velvet carpets, the specific duty was increased from 40 to 41 cents per square yard, with 40 per cent. ad valorem in addition.

Senator Vest moved to strike out the specific rate. This drew a brief but emphatic protest from Senator Tillman, of South Carolina. He disliked to differ with the distinguished Democratic leader, he said, "but," he continued, "its perfectly clear we're beaten on every one of these items, and, well—its just a waste of time, that's all."

Senator Vest's amendment was rejected—19 to 37.

In paragraph 874, tapestry and Brussels carpets, the specific duty was increased from 38 to 39 cents per square yard, with 40 per cent. ad valorem additional.

Paragraph 875, treble ingrain, three ply and all chain Venetian carpets, and paragraph 876, wool, Dutch and two ply ingrain carpets were agreed to as reported.

Senator Allison proposed a substitute for paragraph 876½, providing that carpets of every description woven whole for rooms, including Oriental, Berlin and similar rugs shall pay a duty of 10 cents per square foot and 40 per cent. ad valorem. This led to extended debate. Senator White and Senator Vest criticised the rates as excessive. Senator Allison explained that Oriental rugs were luxuries, some of them costing $10,000. He also fired a shot at the California Senator (White) by saying that while the rates might be high, they were not as high as the duties on oranges and Zante currants, the products of California.

Senator Vest insisted that rugs were not luxuries and had become the most common of floor coverings.

A motion by Senator Vest to strike out the specific rate was rejected, 23 to 29.

Senator Allison secured a new amendment to paragraph 877 druggets, etc., striking out felt carpeting. He also withdrew the committee changes to paragraph 880, designating the meaning of the word "wool."

With these exceptions all remaining paragraphs of the wool schedule were agreed to as reported, and at 1 o'clock the Senate entered upon the silk schedule.

At the outset Senator Vest tested the attitude of the Senate by moving to strike out the specific rate on thrown silk. The amendment was disagreed to without division and the consideration of the schedule proceeded rapidly.

There was a halt, however, when the paragraph on woven sick fabrics was reached. After Senator Allison had perfected the paragraph in minor particulars, Senator Jones spoke in opposition to the rates.

Senator Mantle, of Montana, said that while he believed in a "good stiff protective tariff, 75 or 100 per cent. if necessary," yet he entirely sympathized with this opposition to excessive rates on Chinese and Japanese silks.

Senator Morgan, of Alabama, declared that the Tariff bill marked the entry of the United States upon a fierce and relentless commercial warfare with the rest of the world. He regretted it particularly as to Japan, just as she was joining the other commercial nations. We should not outrage the sense of fairness of the Japanese nation, when she was manifesting her friendship by building her warships in American yards and showing every evidence of cordiality.

Senator Morgan referred incidentally to Japan's protest against the annexation of Hawaii to the United States, on which subject, he said, he thought Japan had no possible ground of complaint. It was unfortunate at this particular time to have this particular nation feel the ferocity of this Tariff bill, although, Senator Morgan declared, there was not a nation from Mexico to Turkey which did not know that the United States was about to enter upon a war with the commerce of the world.

Senator White's amendment, limiting the duties to 200 per cent., was rejected—28 to 38.

The tobacco schedule was next taken up. The first paragraph, 910, was materially modified by Senator Allison, making the duty on wrapper tobacco and filler tobacco, when mixed with more than 15 per cent. of wrapper tobacco and all leaf tobacco, etc., $1.75 per pound; if stemmed, $2 25 per pound. The balance of the paragraph remains unchanged.

Senator Vest said the controversy as to the rates was between the Connecticut wrapper tobacco and the Sumatra tobacco. The desire was to shut out the Sumatra, one tobacco man having said before the Ways and Means Committee that he would favor a duty of 1,000 per cent. if necessary to prevent its importation.

Senator Pettigrew, of South Dakota, presented a comparison between the number of cigars with Havana wrappers made in Key West and Tampa, Florida, and the amount of Havana wrappers paying duty, disclosing a loss to the Government on Havana tobacco used but not paying duty, of about $3,000,000.

Paragraph 910 was then agreed to as reported, with the changes indicated; also paragraph 911.

Paragraph 913, covering all tobacco not provided for, the committee rate of forty cents per pound was increased to fifty-five cents per pound. A similar increase from forty to fifty five cents per pound was made on snuff, etc. (915).

Paragraph 914, cigars, cigarettes, cheroots, etc., was agreed to as reported, viz.: $4 per pound and twenty-five per cent. ad valorem. The committee proviso was struck out. This completed the tobacco schedule.

At 5 o'clock the Senate held an executive session and then adjourned.

THE STATE OF TRADE.

Dun Reports Continued Improvement—Steadily Brightening Prospects for Crops—Reassuring Increase in Demand for Textile Goods.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, June 25.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade to-morrow will say: There is no step backward in business, although the season of mid-Summer quiet is near. Improvement continues gradual and prudently cautious as before, although in many branches evident where no signs of it appeared a few weeks ago.

Business men of the highest standing in all parts of the country having gradually perceived that the tide has begun to rise, are regulating their contracts and investments and their plans for the future with a confidence quite unknown to them a short time ago. Great changes before the adjournment of Congress are hardly to be expected, but removal of uncertainty is with reason expected to bring into operation buying forces which have been restricted for months.

The main factor at this time is the steadily brightening prospect for crops. Harvesting of wheat has already begun in some winter wheat States with surprisingly good results in the central region and California, so that 500,000 tons is now called the minimum from the latter State and statisticians of repute calculate on 60 000,000 bushels winter wheat beyond the Government estimate. Spring wheat is doing remarkably well with practically an increase of acreage. The price has advanced 1¾ cents during the week, with a decrease of 1 900,000 bushels in Western receipts and Atlantic exports of only 1,445,947 bushels, flour included, against 1,718,961 bushels last year; but it is just the season when figures have no value except as proving how erroneous were estimates of the crop of 1896.

Cotton was lifted an eighth without reason and has fallen back as much, because everything points to a larger crop than has been commonly expected.

Iron and steel products average a small fraction lower in published quotations, because private concessions which are now refused were by various authorities complacently coacealed two weeks ago.

There is encouraging increase in the demand for all textile goods, even for cottons, which have so long been slow, and it is noticeable that there is nothing of a speculative character in the transactions, and prices are firmly held. Reorders for woolens have been rather better than were expected from clothiers and fairly good for dress goods. Operations in spring goods are still deferred. While mills are somewhat better employed, and are buying to some extent, most of the purchases of wool are for speculation. Domestic wool is still held at relatively high prices at the West.

Failures for the week have been 216 in the United States, 217 last year, and 24 in Canada against 33 last year.

EVIDENCE FOR DEFENCE

In the Trial of Officers of the Tobacco Trust for Conspiracy.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, June 25.—The taking of evidence for the defence in the trial of Jas. B. Duke, Josiah Browne and other officers of the American Tobacco Company, indicted on a charge of conspiracy in restraint of trade, was begun in the Court of General Sessions before Judge Fitzgerald to-day.

The first witness was President Jonathan H. Blackman, who said he had been a manufacturer of snuff for about six years. In reply to a juror, witness said he had bought goods from the American Tobacco Company to be paid in seven days time, the goods to be sold at a certain figure.

Lawyer Beaman was next examined. He said that he had been called in consultation by President Duke in relation to the consignment agreement.

Victor Morawitz of the law firm of Seward, Guthrie & Decosta, was then called, but as his testimony was cumulative on the same line as Mr. Beaman, he was excused.

Mr. Fuller then offered in evidence all the conveyances of property of the concerns forming the American Tobacco Company, and the papers were admitted in evidence.

Mr. Choate then announced that the defence had closed its case.

On motion of District Attorney Olcott, Judge Fitzgerald ordered an adjournment until Monday morning.

TENNESSEE CENTENNIAL.

Georgia Day at the Exposition—Address by Mrs. W. H. Felton at the Woman's Building.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NASHVILLE, June 25.—Gov. Atkinson, of Georgia, his large staff, a thousand Georgia State troops, the women commissioners, the Georgia State Press Association and the directory of the Atlanta Exposition, arrived here to-day, and will celebrate Georgia day to-morrow. Gov. Atkinson and staff called upon Gov. Taylor at the Capitol and Gov. Taylor and staff returned the call.

The charming women of Georgia took possession of the woman's building to-day. Mrs. Wm. H. Felton, of Atlanta, delivered a most pleasing address on "The children of the Confederacy—the wards of the South."

At a meeting of the executive committee to-night, it was decided to celebrate the Fourth of July. Prices will be reduced so all can attend.

STEAMER DAUNTLESS.

The Crew and Cubans Found on the Suspected Filibuster Discharged From Arrest.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KEY WEST, FLA., June 25.—The crew and the Cubans who were on board the Dauntless and were yesterday arrested were to-day discharged by U. S. Commissioner Julius Otto, on the ground that there was no evidence to show that they were a military organization intending to commit acts hostile to Spain.

The principal evidence offered by the prosecution consisted of the finding of about 600 cases of arms and ammunition on board the Dauntless while she lay anchored off Indian Key, waiting to be towed by the cruiser Wilmington to Jacksonville. There were also other circumstances regarded as suspicious. The captain of the Dauntless, in answer to questions of the District Attorney, declared that he took the arms on board from a schooner at sea.

The total bank clearings for the week in the United States were $979,369,388; per cent. increase 8 5. Exclusive of New York, 481,400,448. per cent. increase, 8 3

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MURDERER HANGED.

Jim Williamson, One of the Slayers of the Crocker Family in Texas.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HOUSTON, TEX., June 25.—Jim Williamson, a young man, was hanged to-day at Wharton for his complicity in the murder of the Crocker family last May. Williamson's nerve failed him at the last, and it was necessary to twice inject strichnine into him to enable him to mount the scaffold. He declared his father, also indicted for the crime, was innocent. Williamson was pronounced dead by the attending physicians three minutes after the drop fell, but upon being cut down was found to be alive. He was hauled up and again sent through the drop and was allowed to hang twenty-two minutes. The first drop was very hurried, as the condemned man nearly fainted when the noose was adjusted.

The massacre of Crocker, his wife and thirteen-year-old son grew out of a feud over land. Mrs. Crocker had previously been indicted for killing one Day, a member of the Williamson faction, but had not been tried. On the evening of the murder Crocker and his family were surrounded by six men in a neighbor's house. Seeing escape for himself was hopeless, he sent his wife out on the prairie and put his boy between mattresses. The murderers shot many times, found the boy and killed him as he lay, then pursued the woman. A Winchester was placed to her head and her brains blown out. Another member of the gang is serving a life term.

RUSSIAN IRON-CLAD SUNK.

One of the Best Vessels of the Imperial Navy.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 25.—The Russian turret iron clad Gangool, one of the best vessels in the Imperial navy, ran upon a reef near Transund this morning during a storm and sunk almost immediately. The crew is reported saved.

The Gangool belonged to the Black Sea fleet. She was of 6 593 tons displacement, 278 feet long, 69 feet in the beam and had a maximum draught of 21 feet, with two propellers and 8,800 horse power. She was built at St. Petersburg in 1890 and had a speed of 14.07 knots. Her complement was 538 men. She had one twelve-inch gun, four nine-inch guns, four six-inch guns, and ten quick firing guns, with five torpedo tubes.

PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS.

Nominations Confirmed Yesterday by the Senate.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—The President to-day sent the following nominations to the Senate.

Irving B. Dudley, of California, to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Peru.

To be consuls—Frank C. Denison, of Vermont, at Woodstock, New Brunswick; Frank Dillingham, of California, at Auckland, New Zeland.

The Senate in executive session confirmed the nominations of Albert C Thompson of Ohio, Alex C. Botkin of Montana, and David B. Culbarson of Texas, to be the commissioners to revise and codify the criminal and penal laws of the United States as provided for by the act of Congress approved June 4th. 1897

FITZSIMMONS-SULLIVAN

To Meet in Brooklyn July Fifth for a Sparring Contest

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, June 25.—To-night Martin Julian, manager of "Bob" Fitzsimmons, made a proposition to Frank Dunn, of Boston, manager of John L. Sullivan which was accepted. The proposition is that Sullivan and Fitzsimmons meet at Ambrose park, Brooklyn, on the afternoon of July 5th, rain or shine, for four or six rounds. If Sullivan's sparring shall be deemed by the public and sporting witnesses creditable and indicative of his ability to enter the ring for a finish contest, terms and conditions for such a match may be arranged immediately thereafter. Sullivan will get a share of the gate receipts.

"NOT AUTHORITATIVE."

The Statement That McKinley is Considering a Plan to Purchase the Freedom of Cuba.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CLEVELAND, June 25.—Senator Mark Hanna was asked this morning whether there was any truth in a telegraphic statement that President McKinley is considering a plan whereby the freedom of Cuba is to be purchased from Spain for $100,000,000, the amount to be secured by Cuba. "The statement is not authoritative," said he.

WARM WIRELETS

Cornell won the 'Varsity boat race at Poughkeepsie; Yale second; Harvard third. Time, 20.34.

C. G. Smithers has made application for appointment as collector of customs at Cape Charles City, Va.

Danville's seventeen delegates to the Virginia State Democratic convention were elected last night and instructed for Tyler for Governor and Montague for attorney-general.

William Hoey, the actor, widely known in theatrical circles as "Old Horse," has developed signs of mental unsoundness, and it is feared by his physicians that he will never recover.

Trouble has broken out afresh at Fort Gibson, Indian Territory, where the Cherokee freemen's payment has just been resumed, and the Washington authorities have been appealed to for assistance in avoiding further disorders.

Professor Charles Copeland Wight, a well known educator of Baltimore, died suddenly of heart disease at his home there yesterday. He served on the staff of Gen. Stonewall Jackson in the war between the States

Near Warsaw, Richmond county, Va., Thursday evening, Clarence Self was struck by lightning and killed. The mule he was riding was also killed. The barn of Rev. W. A. Street in Lancaster county, was struck during the same storm and burned.

John Garvey, the famous "Astor tramp," died in the hospital at Mattawan, N. Y., yesterday. Garvey about two years ago walked into the residence of Mrs. William Astor, in New York city, made his way upstairs and went to bed in one of the chambers, where a servant found him. He was arrested, and on trial was shown to be mentally deranged.

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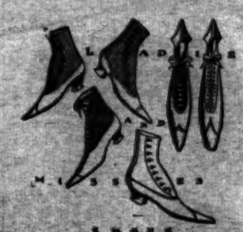

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